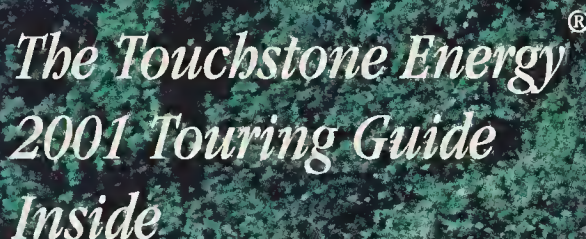


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## We need affordable, high-speed Internet service



By Curtis Wynn

Rural North Carolina stands to gain immensely from the digital revolution that is sweeping our country. Information technology offers increased economic opportunities, higher living standards, more individual choices, and wider and more meaningful participation in government and public life. Information technology can make distance far less important than it used to be. Entrepreneurs can choose to live in small towns and rural communities and still engage in the global data-transmission marketplace.

Yet, that dream is far from realized. The recent U.S. Commerce Department study, "Falling Through the Net," reports that North Carolina ranks 45th among the states in households with computers and 46th in the percentage of households using the Internet. The computer "have-nots" are often rural, minority, undereducated and poor. In northeastern North Carolina and the counties Roanoke Electric Cooperative serves, the statistics are the most severe in the whole state.

The kind of infrastructure necessary for widespread growth and development is severely lacking in rural areas. As with other utilities and services, rural areas are often the last to be served because of the higher price of doing business. Rural subscribers in North Carolina pay roughly \$230 per month for a 128K Internet connection compared to \$50 per month in the state's urban areas, according to a study by the state Department of Commerce's Office of Information Technology Services.

Understanding that advanced information technology is vital if rural people are to survive and prosper in the global economy, the Governor's Rural Prosperity Task Force recommended the creation of a Rural Internet Access Authority to address technology needs.

The North Carolina General Assembly in its 2000 session approved the creation of the Rural Internet Access Authority to oversee efforts to provide rural areas with high-speed broadband Internet access. The authority's main goals are ambitious: to provide local dial-up Internet access from every telephone exchange in North Carolina within one year; and to provide high-speed Internet access at competitive prices (at least 128K for residential customers and at least 256K for business customers) to all North Carolinians within three years.

The authority is established within the state Department of Commerce, with the North Carolina Rural Economic Development Center providing administrative and professional staff support for the authority. The authority is governed by a 21-member commission, which includes members of state government, business and education leaders, members of the Microelectronics Center of North Carolina (MCNC) and representatives from the state's telecommunications companies, including Internet service providers, rural telephone and electric cooperatives, local telephone exchange and independent

telephone companies, commercial wireless communications carriers, and the cable industry.

Other goals of the Rural Internet Access Authority include:

- Increasing the ownership of computers, related Web devices, and Internet subscriptions throughout the state.
- Providing two model Telework Centers to be established by January 2002. (Only one-fourth of the state's telephone central offices are located in the most economically distressed areas.)
- Providing accurate and current information via the Internet to state residents concerning the availability of telecommunications and Internet services, as well as updates on future telecommunications and Internet services.
- Developing Internet applications for government agencies that will make receiving services easier and more convenient. These applications can also facilitate the delivery of more comprehensive government programs, including training, education and health care.
- Employing open-technology approaches that encourage all potential providers to participate in the implementation of high-speed Internet access.
- Coordinating activities, conducting and sponsoring research, and recommending and advocating actions, including regulatory and legislative actions, to achieve the authority's goals and objectives.

If we are going to successfully develop our rural communities, provide educational advancement for our youth and create better paying jobs for our working citizens, basic connectivity and affordable high speed Internet access must be available. All of this translates into a stronger economy that is good for business, especially your electric cooperative.

The Authority has set very ambitious goals that are to be accomplished in a relatively short timeframe. The work has already begun at a very fast pace. As we move forward with our efforts, you will be informed of the Authority's progress. Stay tuned for continuous updates on this precedent setting initiative in future issues of Carolina Country magazine and other information sources.

*Curtis Wynn was appointed by Gov. Jim Hunt to the Rural Internet Access Authority. He is CEO and executive vice president of Roanoke Electric Cooperative based in Rich Square.*

### Calling all Internet Service Providers

Internet service providers in North Carolina are urged to contact the Rural Internet Access Authority and describe their capacities and customer base. The authority is compiling a resource base and hopes to promote the expansion of providers both in the state and beyond. If you provide Internet Access service, contact the authority's executive director Jane Smith Patterson at The Rural Center. Phone: (919) 250-4314. Web site: [www.ncisp.org](http://www.ncisp.org)





## Jones-Onslow EMC is recognized for commitment to youth and education

Jones-Onslow EMC, the electric cooperative based in Jacksonville, recently won two major awards for its community service and attention to local education.

In addition to winning the "Building for the Future" award at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association annual meeting, JOEMC won the 2000 "Friend of Education" award given by the North Carolina Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.

The NRECA prize, given in St. Louis, was one of only five given to co-ops nationwide for their community service involvement.

Projects cited in both awards include the Bright Ideas Grant Program, co-op educational programs, the Rural Electric Youth Tour, high school and college scholarship awards, and helping expand technology in the classrooms.

JOEMC has awarded more than \$217,000 in Bright Ideas Grants to area



Jones-Onslow EMC's CEO Ron McElheney accepts the "Building for the Future" award at the NRECA annual meeting held in St. Louis March 12-14. He is flanked by NRECA's Glenn English (left) and President Jim Andrew of Georgia.

teachers over seven years. Co-op representatives participate in National Education Week, Earth Day, Career Day, school awards ceremonies, electrical safety curriculum and career development programs.

Jones-Onslow EMC also counts the Rural Electric Youth Tour as a premier learning experience, sponsoring four high school juniors each year on an expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C.

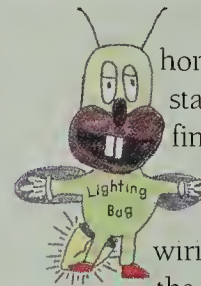
Its Technology in the Classroom program has distributed more than 75 computers and printers throughout local school systems.

"Those folks [Jones-Onslow EMC] are your neighbors," said Onslow County Schools Superintendent Ron Singletary. "They are good corporate citizens. They are truly friends of our schools."

Jones-Onslow EMC serves more than 44,000 households and businesses in Jones, Onslow, Duplin, Pender, Craven and Lenoir counties.

## The Lighting Bug says:

### Is your home's electrical system up to code?



Do you know if your home's wiring meets code standards? How can you find out?

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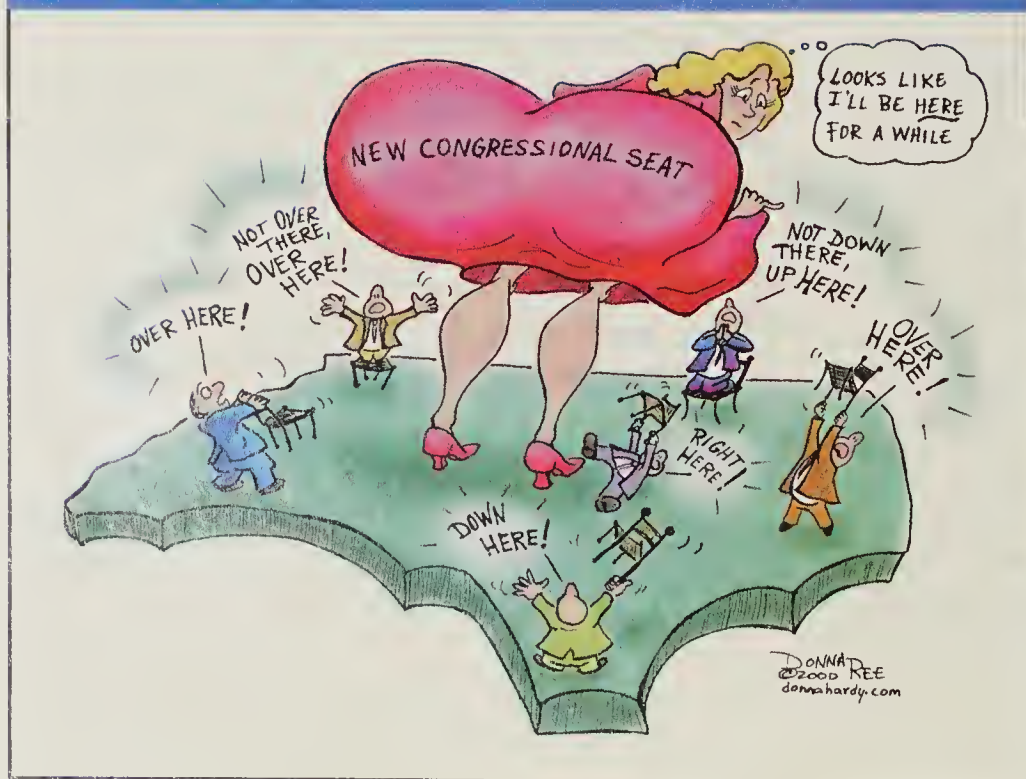
The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is offering consumers and community groups a "Home Electrical Safety Kit" free of charge to help prevent fires in the home caused by faulty electrical wiring. The kits include CPSC's "Wired for Safety" video, featuring information on fire prevention, interviews with fire victims, a fire chief, and an electrical expert, and dramatic footage of home fires. It gives a checklist of hazards to look for in your home. CPSC has a clip from this video available for viewing. The kits also give general information on CPSC's Home Electrical System Fires Project, "CPSC's Guide to Home Wiring Hazards."

The free Home Electrical Safety Kits can be ordered by sending your name and address to "Home Electrical Safety Kit," CPSC, Public Affairs Office, Washington, DC 20207.

See the Consumer Product Safety Commission Web site at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)

## Light Lines

by Donna



Brunswick EMC in Brunswick and Columbus counties has placed seven "bill payment terminals" in its service area where members can pay electric

bills in a way similar to withdrawing cash from an automatic teller machine. The terminals also accommodate Brunswick's "prepaid" customers, who can choose to pay in advance for their power.





## The door is open for satellite TV reception of local network channels

When Congress passed and President Clinton signed the "Local TV Act" last December, they opened the door to helping rural residents receive local network affiliates' TV broadcasts on their satellite TV receivers, but more must happen before the signal comes in clearly.

Viewers in many North Carolina rural areas still cannot receive local weather forecasts, storm coverage or local election news, for example, because their satellite TV service prohibits clear access to local network TV affiliates. The Local TV Act is intended to correct that situation. But it is not yet a done deal, according to the National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative (NRTC).

The Local TV Act authorizes a five-year, \$1.25 billion loan guarantee program to help bring local TV signals to rural areas. The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture was directed to administer the loan program.

Electric co-ops worked hard for the legislation through their National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) and the NRTC. It is one in a chain of Congressional actions that have been designed to promote video service availability to rural areas.

Congressman Howard Coble, who represents the Greensboro area, was among the North Carolina delegation who actively supported this legislation.

Prior to the passage in 1999 of the Satellite Home Viewer Improvement Act (SHVIA), cable TV's greatest advantage over

satellite TV was its ability to carry local TV signals. SHVIA cleared the way for urban satellite TV viewers to receive the same level of local service that most people in the United States take for granted. Viewers in "unserved" and "underserved" rural areas were not as fortunate. The major satellite TV companies are extending service to only the top 40 or 50 markets.

The Local TV Act loan guarantee program is a step toward changing that, but more must happen before rural America benefits.

- Congress must appropriate funding for the loan guarantee program. There likely will be some debate in the current Congress over the necessary size of the appropriation.
- RUS must adopt rules implementing the Local TV Act.
- Congress, the courts and the Federal Communications Commission must address the satellite "must-carry" issue. It is a "carry-one/carry-all" rule that does not fit with most satellite broadcast realities. If it is not reversed or delayed, the must-carry rule could limit local-into-local service to the most heavily populated TV markets only.

For more information, see the NRTC Web site's "News – Legislative" section at [www.nrtc.org](http://www.nrtc.org). And let your representatives in Congress know how you feel.

– Randy Sukow, NRTC

## National meeting of co-ops promotes putting "Consumers First"

In their quest for fair treatment on a national level, electric cooperatives throughout the U.S. this spring embraced a theme that North Carolina's electric cooperatives have proclaimed for the past two years: "Consumers First."

Speaking to more than 10,000 electric co-op representatives at their annual meeting last March, Glenn English, CEO of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, said, "We must reach out to those who today face a risk similar to what rural Americans faced more than a half-century ago when no one was interested in meeting their [energy] needs. The failed deregulation attempt in California has exposed a whole new set of consumers at risk. We must help these consumers learn and understand how the cooperative business principles can empower them through new cooperative development."

"Consumers First" became the theme for impromptu activism and membership participation in the Congressional Action Center where meeting attendees could get in touch instantly with their congressional delegations via the Internet, or write letters and postcards calling for consumer-friendly energy policies. Thousands of "Consumers First" stickers appeared on lapels and name badges.

National energy policy legislation recently introduced by Senator Frank Murkowski (R-Alaska) "tips the scales against consumers," warned English. He said the bill favors the

interests of utilities over individual consumers and small businesses.

English encouraged the electric cooperative leadership to deal with another key issue not included in current energy proposals. "We must change our national transmission grid to match the changes occurring in our



*Electric co-op representatives are sending these postcards to their congressional delegation this spring.*

industry. We need a modern system, an equivalent of the interstate highway system, which provides for the movement of electric power. And we must have answers to these questions: Who controls the system? Who gets access to it? And at what cost?"

In addition to considering and acting upon policy resolutions, delegates at the annual meeting heard reports from NRECA officials and key public figures and business experts, and attended panel sessions on major issues affecting electric cooperatives and their consumer-owners.

NRECA is the national service organization that represents the nation's more than 900 consumer-owned electric cooperatives, which provide electric service to more than 34 million people in 46 states.



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## How to parch corn

In response to the letter about parched corn [February 2001]: Regular field corn was used. (Not popcorn. Field corn will not pop no matter how hot the pan gets.) Shake the pan on a wood-burning cook stove, or over flames in a fireplace. Keep rolling corn around in the pan until it is brown and crispy. It's done when all the corn is parched.

This is an interesting past-time on a cold afternoon in the country at the foot of Mt. Pisgah, Upper Hominy, Buncombe County.

We also made hominy and grits from field corn in the 1930s.

Orva Lee McCarson Warren  
Balsam Grove



## Got milk

On May 1, 1999, our 29-year-old daughter Vickie got married at 10 a.m. in our home church, Mt. Carmel Baptist. Because the wedding was so early in the morning, everyone had to be at the church for pictures at 8 a.m. We stopped at our local Lowes Foods in Mount Airy and purchased some donuts and juice for the wedding party, but Vickie said she had to have her milk.

As everyone was getting ready for the wedding, a friend caught the bride enjoying a last-minute drink of milk before saying, "I do."

You can always enjoy milk!

Phyllis C. Whitaker  
Mount Airy  
Surry-Yadkin EMC



## You say "catalpa," they say "Catawba"

In the April Carolina Country, you had a story by Becka Powers called "Getting Bait with Dad." Do you think the writer had the "Catawba" tree confused with the catalpa tree?

And the photo entitled "April comes to a horse barn in Wilkes County." Don't you think the poplar leaves on the tree are a little mature for April?

Otherwise, I thoroughly enjoy your magazine. I read it from cover to cover every month, including the ads.

Arvil Shepherd  
Oak Island

This letter is about our southern accents and southern ears...and how sometimes they play tricks on us.

When I was growing up in Harnett County, my mother often would send me to pull up the "wondering dew" that was choking out her flowers. Many years later, I read a novel set in the South, and the author referred to a plant called "wandering Jew." A light came on. I had been hearing and saying "wondering dew" all those years. In fact, it was "wandering Jew."

We had a tree in our side yard in Buies Creek that we called a "Catawba" tree. Every summer, it produced passels of huge "Catawba" worms that we used for bait to catch brim, perch and "red breasts." I was grown when I discovered that the tree (the same kind Ms. Powers told the wonderful story about in April's Carolina Country) was really a "catalpa" tree and produced "catalpa" worms. Again, southern accents and southern ears had played tricks on me.

Thanks for the great story, Ms. Powers. I'm going to keep right on saying "wondering dew" and "Catawba" worms. How about you?

Carroll Leggett  
Winston-Salem



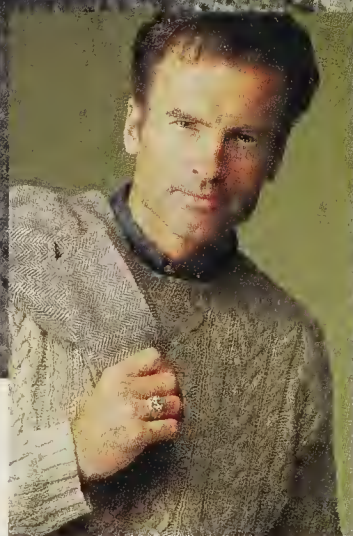
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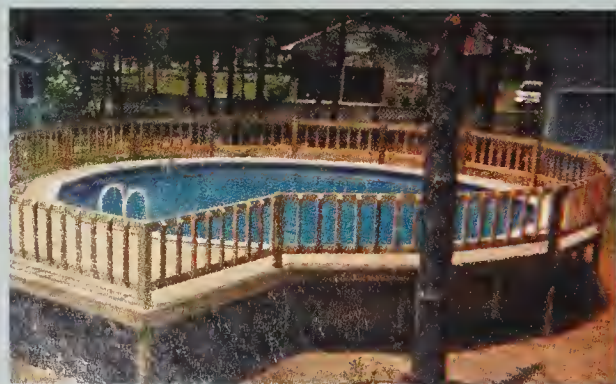
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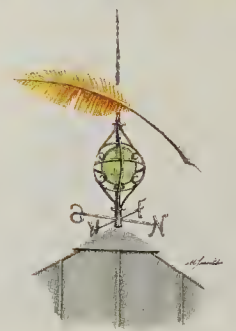
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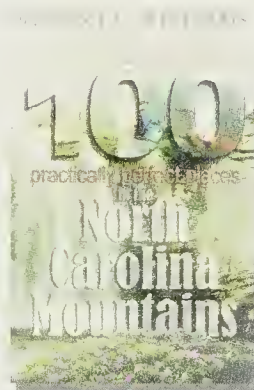
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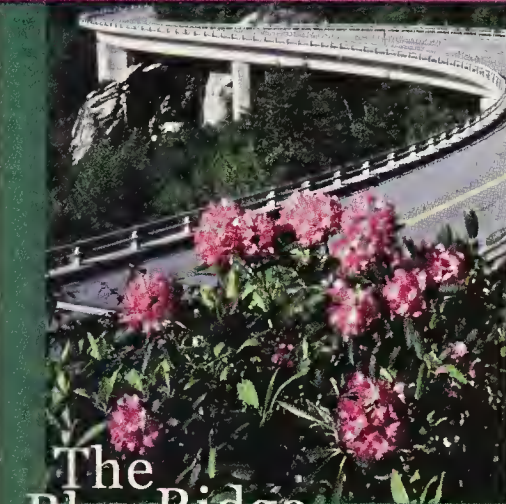


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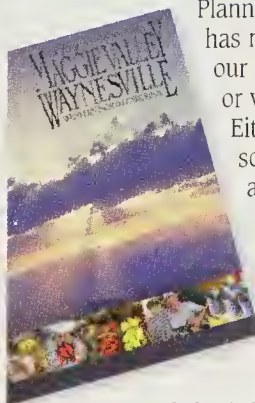
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Episcopal Cemetery, Elizabeth City. Some burial sites date back to 1724. (252) 335-0346.  
Fort Branch Historic Site, east of Hamilton. Confederate earthworks. (252) 792-3001.  
Gallery Theatre, Inc., Ahoskie. (252) 332-2976.  
Historic Albemarle Tour. (800) 734-1117.  
Historic Columbia Walking Tour. (252) 796-2781.  
Historic Edenton Visitor Center. (252) 482-2637.  
Historic Hertford. (252) 426-1425.  
Historic Main Street Walking Tour, Elizabeth City. (252) 335-4365.  
Historic Murfreesboro, 45 miles west of Elizabeth City. Early river port. (252) 398-5922.  
Historic Plymouth. (252) 793-1377.  
Historic Williamston. (252) 792-0409.  
Historic Windsor. Self-guided walking tour. (252) 794-4277.  
Hope Plantation, Windsor. Restored, early 1800s home of N.C. Governor and U.S. Senator David Stone. (252) 794-3140.  
Main Street Stage, Elizabeth City. Home of the Encore Theatre Company. (252) 338-3382.  
Museum of the Albemarle, U.S. 17, Elizabeth City. Exhibits of life in northeastern North Carolina. (252) 335-1453.  
Newbold-White House. S.R. 1336, Hertford. State's oldest house. (252) 426-7567.  
Pasquotank Arts Council Gallery. (252) 338-6455.  
Pocosin Arts, Columbia. (252) 796-2787.  
Port O' Plymouth Museum. (252) 793-1377.  
Somerset Place Historic Site, near Creswell. Best example of slave-supported plantation life. (252) 797-4560.  
U.S. Coast Guard Air Station, Elizabeth City. (252) 335-6000.  
TCOM L P, Weeksville. Airship hangar. (252) 338-3200.  
Watermark Association of Artisans. Craft cooperative. (252) 338-0853.



*This is the view from the sunroom at the retirement home of my best childhood friend and her husband. It's on Harvey Point in Hertford and overlooks the Albemarle Sound. We were in the nick of time for this picture as the wildlife flew overhead, the sun set behind a grove of trees, and as the water quietly lapped at our feet a sense of total peace surrounded us.*

*Lois Miller  
Winston-Salem*

### Electric Cooperatives

Albemarle EMC (Hertford). (252) 426-5735.  
Edgecombe-Martin County EMC (Tarboro). (252) 823-2171.  
Roanoke Electric Cooperative (Rich Square). (252) 539-2236.  
Tideland EMC (Pantego, Grantsboro, Ocracoke, Engelhard). (252) 943-3046.



# The Outer Banks & Pamlico



Carteret County Tourism



## Travel Information

Aycock Brown Welcome Center, Kitty Hawk. (252) 261-4644.  
 Belhaven. (252) 943-3770.  
 Crystal Coast Tourism Bureau.  
 (800) 786-6962 / (252) 726-8148.  
[www.sunnync.com](http://www.sunnync.com)  
 Currituck Chamber. (252) 453-9497/  
 (877) CURRITUCK.  
[www.currituckchamber.org](http://www.currituckchamber.org)  
 Greater Hyde County Chamber.  
 (252) 926-9171 / (888) 493-3826.  
[www.ocracoke-nc.com](http://www.ocracoke-nc.com)  
 Havelock. (252) 447-0014.  
[www.havelockchamber.net](http://www.havelockchamber.net)  
 Historic Bath Visitor Center.  
 (252) 923-3971.  
 New Bern/Craven County  
 Convention and Visitors Bureau.  
 (800) 437-5767.  
[www.visitnewbern.com](http://www.visitnewbern.com)  
 N.C. Ferries. (800) BY-FERRY.  
 Ocracoke Visitor Center.  
 (252) 928-4531.  
 Outer Banks Chamber.  
 (252) 441-8144.  
 Outer Banks Visitors Bureau.  
 (800) 446-6262 / (252) 473-2138.  
 Pamlico County Visitor Center. (252)  
 745-3008. [www.pamlico-nc.com](http://www.pamlico-nc.com)  
 Washington-Beaufort County.  
 (252) 946-9168.  
 Washington County.  
 (252) 793-4804.

## Electric Cooperatives

Cape Hatteras Electric Cooperative (Buxton). (252) 995-5616.  
 Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative (Morehead City).  
 (252) 247-3107.  
 Harkers Island EMC (Harkers Island). (252) 728-2593.  
 Tideland EMC (Pantego, Grantsboro, Ocracoke, Engelhard).  
 (252) 943-3046.



## Historical and Cultural

Attmore-Oliver House, New Bern. Built in 1790. (252) 638-8558.  
 Aurora Fossil Museum, Aurora. Geology of the coastal plain. (252) 322-4238.  
 Bank of Arts, New Bern. Home of the Craven Arts Council and Gallery. (252) 638-2577.  
 Beaufort Historic Site. Historic houses. (252) 728-5225/(800) 575-SITE. [www.historicbeaufort.com](http://www.historicbeaufort.com)  
 Belhaven Memorial Museum. Unusual collection. (252) 943-3055.  
 Birthplace of Pepsi, New Bern. Pepsi invented in 1898. (252) 636-5898.  
 Bodie Island Lighthouse, south of Nags Head. (252) 441-5711.  
 British Cemetery, Ocracoke. Memorial to four British sailors. (252) 928-7535.  
 Cape Hatteras Lighthouse and Hatteras Island Visitor Center. Tallest lighthouse in the U.S. (252) 995-4474.  
 Cape Lookout Lighthouse. (252) 728-2250.  
 Carteret County Museum of History, Morehead City. (252) 247-7533. [www.nccost.com/museum.htm](http://www.nccost.com/museum.htm)  
 Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station, Havelock/Cherry Point. (252) 466-2536.  
 Chicamacomico Lifesaving Station, Rodanthe. Restoration. (252) 987-2405.  
 Coinjock Bridge Bell Monument, Berlo. (252) 453-8345.  
 Colington Island. Site of the first permanent settlement on the Outer Banks.  
 Core Sound Waterfowl Museum, Harkers Island. (252) 728-1500. [www.core-sound.com](http://www.core-sound.com)  
 Corolla Chapel, Currituck. Century-old chapel. (252) 441-7220.  
 Corolla Post Office and General Store. [www.currituckchamber.org](http://www.currituckchamber.org)  
 Currituck Beach Lighthouse, Corolla. (252) 453-8152. [www.currituckbeachlight.com](http://www.currituckbeachlight.com)  
 Currituck Confederate War Memorial, Currituck. (252) 232-2525.  
 Currituck County Jail, one of the state's oldest. (252) 232-2525. [www.currituckchamber.org](http://www.currituckchamber.org)  
 Currituck Courthouse. [www.co.currituck.nc.us/profile](http://www.co.currituck.nc.us/profile)  
 Elizabeth II State Historic Site, Manteo. Reproduction of a 16th century English sailing vessel. (252) 475-1500.  
 Elizabethan Gardens, Roanoke Island. A memorial to English colonists. (252) 473-3234.  
 The Fireman's Museum, New Bern. (252) 636-4087.  
 Fort Macon State Park. Off N.C. 58. One of the 10 most-visited state parks in the country. (252) 726-3775. [www.clis.com/friends](http://www.clis.com/friends)  
 Fort Raleigh National Historic Site. Sir Walter Raleigh's "lost" colony. Roanoke Island. (252) 473-5772.  
 Frisco Native American Museum and Natural History Center. (252) 995-4440.  
 Historic Albemarle Tour. (800) 734-1117.  
 Historic Bath Tour. (252) 923-3971.  
 Historic Corolla Village. (800) 489-4339. [www.twiddy.com](http://www.twiddy.com)  
 Historic Ocracoke. (252) 928-7375.  
 Historic Washington. (252) 946-9168.  
 "The Lost Colony." Outdoor symphonic drama, in summer, Roanoke Island. (800) 488-5012/ (252) 473-3414.  
 The New Bern Civic Theatre. (252) 633-0567.  
 New Bern Fireman's Museum. (252) 636-4087.  
 New Bern Historic Trolley Car Tour. (800) 849-7316.  
 North Carolina Maritime Museum, Beaufort. (252) 728-7317. [www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/maritime/default.htm](http://www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/maritime/default.htm)  
 Ocracoke Lighthouse. (252) 928-7535.  
 Ocracoke Preservation Society Museum. (252) 928-7535.  
 Pamlico County Cultural & Civic Center. (252) 249-0477.  
 Portsmouth Village. Uninhabited 18th century shipping village maintained by the National Park Service. (252) 728-2250.  
 Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, Bath. Oldest church in North Carolina.  
 Trader Store, Havelock. (252) 447-0014.  
 Somerset Place, Creswell. State Historic Site offers a glimpse of plantation life. (252) 797-4560  
 Tryon Palace and Gardens, New Bern. Home of William Tryon, governor of the colony. (800) 767-1560 / (252) 638-5109.  
 "Worthy Is the Lamb." Musical drama at Crystal Coast Amphitheatre, Swansboro, during summer. (252) 393-8373/(800) 662-5960.  
 Wright Brothers National Memorial, Kill Devil Hills. Site of first airplane flight. (252) 441-7430.

## Parks and Recreation

A Day at the Farm, west of New Bern. (252) 514-9494. [www.adayatthefarm.com](http://www.adayatthefarm.com)  
 Albemarle Chesapeake Canal, Coinjock. [www.midwaymarina.com](http://www.midwaymarina.com)  
 Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge. (252) 473-1131.  
 Biking Pamlico. (252) 745-3008.  
 Bogue Inlet Fishing Pier, Emerald Isle. (252) 354-2919.  
 Cape Hatteras National Seashore. 75 miles. (252) 473-2111.  
 Cape Lookout National Seashore, Harkers Island office. (252) 728-2250. [www.nps.gov/cal](http://www.nps.gov/cal)  
 Carrot Island/Rachel Carson Estuarine Reserve. Across Taylor's Creek from the Beaufort waterfront. (252) 728-2170. [www.ncnerr.org/cerf](http://www.ncnerr.org/cerf)  
 Cedar Island National Wildlife Refuge. (252) 225-2511.  
 Coastal Engineering Research Center, Duck. 800-ft. research pier.  
 Corolla Wild Horses. (252) 453-8152. [www.corollawildhorses.com](http://www.corollawildhorses.com)  
 Cow Cafe at Maola Dairy, New Bern. (252) 638-1131.  
 Croatan National Forest. Southeast of New Bern. (252) 638-5628.  
 Currituck Banks National Marine Estuarine Reserve. (252) 429-3100.  
 Currituck National Wildlife Refuge, Corolla. (252) 429-3100. <http://fws.gov/~r4eao>  
 Goose Creek State Park, Washington. (252) 923-2192.  
 Gull Rock Game Land. (919) 733-7291.  
 Hammocks Beach State Park. Accessible by ferry off N.C. 24. (910) 326-4881.  
 Hatteras Fishing Center. The island's largest marina. (252) 986-2365.  
 Jockey's Ridge State Park, Nags Head. East Coast's highest sand dune. (252) 441-7132.  
 Knotts Island Ferry. (252) 232-2683. [www.co.currituck.nc.us/KIFerry.html](http://www.co.currituck.nc.us/KIFerry.html)  
 Lake Landing Driving Tour. (252) 926-9171/ (888) 493-3826.  
 Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge, adjacent to Knotts Island. (252) 429-3100. <http://southeast.fws.gov>  
 Mattamuskeet Lodge. (252) 926-1422.  
 Mattamuskeet/Swan Quarter National Wildlife Refuge. (252) 926-4021.  
 Nags Head Woods Preserve. (252) 441-2525.  
 Ncuse River Recreation Area. (252) 638-5628.  
 North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores. (252) 247-4003. [www.aquariums.state.nc.us/Aquariums](http://www.aquariums.state.nc.us/Aquariums)  
 North Carolina Aquarium on Roanoke Island. (252) 473-3494.  
 North Carolina Estuarium. (252) 948-0000.  
 Ocracoke Campground. Run by the National Park Service. (800) 365-CAMP.  
 Ocracoke Pony Pens. About six miles from Hatteras ferry landing.  
 Oregon Inlet Campground. Run by the National Park Service. (252) 473-2111.  
 Oregon Inlet Fishing Center. Center of sportfishing on the Outer Banks. (800) 272-5199 / (252) 441-6301.  
 Paddle Trails of Pamlico County. (252) 745-3008. [www.pamlico-nc.com](http://www.pamlico-nc.com)  
 Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge. Bird sanctuary. (252) 473-1131.  
 Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge. (252) 797-4431  
 Theodore Roosevelt State Natural Area. Between Atlantic Beach and Pine Knoll Shores. (252) 726-3775.  
 Whalehead Club, Ocean Trail, Corolla. 28.5 acres of land open to public. (252) 453-9040. [www.whalehead.com](http://www.whalehead.com)



# The South Coast

## Travel Information

Ahoskie Chamber. (252) 332-2042.  
Chowan County Tourism.  
(252) 482-3400.  
Dismal Swamp Canal Visitor Center,  
Camden County. (252) 771-  
8333. [www.icw.net/DSCwelcome](http://www.icw.net/DSCwelcome)  
Edenton-Chowan. (252) 482-3400/  
(800) 775-0111.  
[www.edenton.com](http://www.edenton.com)  
Elizabeth City Area Chamber of  
Commerce. (252) 335-4365.  
[www.elizabethcitychamber.org](http://www.elizabethcitychamber.org)  
Gates County Manager.  
(252) 357-1240.  
Greater Tyrrell County.  
(252) 796-1996.  
Historic Albemarle Tour.  
(252) 926-2950/ (800) 734-  
1117. [www.albemarle-nc.com/hat](http://www.albemarle-nc.com/hat)  
Martin County Chamber.  
(252) 792-4131.  
Martin County Travel & Tourism.  
(800) 776-8566.  
Murfreesboro Chamber.  
(252) 398-4886.  
N.C. Northeast Partnership.  
(252) 482-4333/(888) 872-8562.  
[www.ncnortheast.com](http://www.ncnortheast.com)  
Perquimans County. (252) 426-5657.  
Tyrrell County Visitors Center.  
(252) 796-0723.  
Washington County.  
(252) 793-4804.  
Windsor/Bertie County Chamber.  
(252) 794-4277.

## Parks and Recreation

Airlie Gardens. Off U.S. 74. (910) 793-7531.  
Cape Fear Riverboat Cruise. Wilmington.  
(800) 676-0162.  
Carolina Beach State Park. U.S. 421. (910) 458-8206.  
Coastal Plains Raceway, Jacksonville. NASCAR-san-  
ctioned 4/10-mile oval track. (910) 455-3555.  
[www.coastalplainsraceway.com](http://www.coastalplainsraceway.com)  
Ferry at Fort Fisher. Provides ferry service to  
Southport. (800) BYFERRY.  
Fort Fisher State Recreation Area. (910) 458-5798.  
Greenfield Park. U.S. 421 south. (910) 341-7855.  
Hammocks Beach State Park, Off NC 24. 890-acre bar-  
rier island with primitive camping, lifeguards and  
nature study. (910) 326-4881.  
Henrietta III, Wilmington. N.C.'s largest riverboat,  
cruises April-December. (800) 222-4757.  
Hollywood South: On Location Trolley Tours,  
Wilmington. (910) 343-4363.  
Hugh MacRae Park, Wilmington. Includes nature trail.  
(910) 341-7181.  
Jubilee Amusement Park, Carolina Beach.  
(910) 458-9017.  
Jungle Rapids Family Fun Park, Wilmington.  
(910) 791-0666.  
Kayak Carolina Tours, Carolina Beach.  
(910) 458-9111.  
Lynwood Park Zoo. Hwy 258/24 Jacksonville. Land  
mammals, exotic birds, waterfowl, hooved stock.  
(910) 938-5848.  
New Hanover County Arboretum, Wilmington.  
(910) 452-6393.  
North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher.  
(910) 458-8257.  
Orton Plantation Gardens. South of Wilmington on N.C.  
133. Former rice plantation. (910) 371-6851.  
Pro Canoe & Kayak Tours, Wilmington. (910) 256-1258.  
Screen Gems Studios, Wilmington. Weekend movie stu-  
dio tours and stunt shows. (910) 343-3433.  
Wilmington Adventure Walking Tours.  
(910) 763-1785.  
Winner Cruises, Carolina Beach. (910) 458-5356.  
Wrightsville Beach Scenic Cruises. (910) 350-BOAT.

## Historical and Cultural

Bald Head Island Lighthouse. Accessible by ferry.  
The Battleship "North Carolina," Wilmington.  
Renovated World War II battleship.  
(910) 251-5797. [www.battleshipnc.com](http://www.battleshipnc.com)  
Beirut Memorial Wall, Jacksonville. Honors 273 killed  
in October 1983 bombing. (800) 932-2144.  
Bellamy Mansion, Wilmington. Historic antebel-  
lum house situated in Wilmington's National  
Register District. Also includes Museum of  
History & Design Arts. (910) 251-3700  
Brunswick Town State Historic Site. First settlement in  
the Cape Fear area. (910) 371-6613.  
Burgwin-Wright House, Wilmington. Colonial gentle-  
man's townhouse. (910) 762-0570.  
Camp Lejeune Marine Corps Base. Free self-guided  
tours of 25 historic sites. (910) 451-2197.  
Cape Fear Museum, Wilmington. Social and natural  
history of the Lower Cape Fear area.  
(910) 341-4350.  
Chandler's Wharf, Wilmington. Riverfront shopping  
and dining.  
Community Arts Center, Wilmington. (910) 341-7860.  
The Cotton Exchange. North Front Street, Wilmington.  
Specialty shops and restaurants.  
Crystal Coast Amphitheatre, Swansboro. International  
Choral Fest in May; "Worthy is the Lamb" outdoor  
drama in summer. (800) 622-6278.  
Down by the Riverside Tours, Wilmington. Tour of  
African-American heritage sites. (910) 762-6241.  
Fort Fisher Historic Site & Museum. Civil War site.  
(910) 458-5538.  
Horse-drawn Carriage and Trolley Tours. Wilmington.  
(910) 251-8889.  
Latimer House Museum, Wilmington. Victorian era  
Italianate Revival residence. (910) 762-0492.  
Mike's Farm, Richlands. Hayrides, colonial living.  
(910) 324-3422.  
Moore's Creek National Battlefield, Currie. US 421  
north of Wilmington. Revolutionary War site.  
(910) 283-5591.  
Museum of Coastal Carolina, Ocean Isle Beach.  
Natural history of coastal North and South  
Carolina. (910) 579-1016.  
N.C. Maritime Museum of Southport.  
(910) 457-0003.  
Odell Williamson Auditorium, Brunswick Community  
College, Supply. (910) 754-3133.  
Onslow County Museum, Richlands. Cultural and  
natural history. (910) 324-5008.  
Opera House Theatre Company, Wilmington.  
(910) 762-4234.  
Poplar Grove Historic Plantation. U.S. 17 at Scotts  
Hill. (910) 686-9989.  
St. John's Museum of Art, Wilmington.  
Encompassing the former St. Nicholas Greek  
Orthodox Church. (910) 763-0281.  
Southport Municipal Pier. Howe Street on the Cape  
Fear River.  
Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts,  
Wilmington. (910) 343-3664.  
Walking Tours of Old Wilmington. Ghost walk,  
unusual tales, churches/architecture, etc.  
(910) 602-6055.  
Wilmington Children's Museum. (910) 254-3534.  
The Wilmington Railroad Museum. (910) 763-2634.  
Wilmington Trolley Company. Tours of historic dis-  
trict. (910) 763-4483.  
Wrightsville Beach Museum of History.  
(910) 256-2569.

## Electric Cooperatives

Brunswick EMC (Shallotte, Whiteville, Oak Island,  
Bolivia). (910) 754-4391.  
Four County EMC (Burgaw, Elizabethtown, Rose Hill).  
(910) 259-2171.  
Jones-Onslow EMC (Jacksonville, Sneads Ferry).  
(910) 353-1940.





# The Pine Plains



## Travel Information

Clinton-Sampson County  
(910) 592-6177.  
Duplin County Tourism.  
(800) 755-1755/  
(910) 296-2180.  
Elizabethtown-White Lake.  
(910) 862-4368.  
Fair Bluff. (910) 649-7202.  
Fayetteville Area. (910) 483-8133.  
[www.foto.com/chamber](http://www.foto.com/chamber)  
Fayetteville Area Convention &  
Visitors Bureau. (800) 255-8217/  
(910) 483-5311. [www.facvb.com](http://www.facvb.com)  
Fayetteville Historic Resources  
Commission. (910) 433-1612.  
Fayetteville Partnership.  
(910) 483-2073.  
Greater Chadbourn. (910) 654-3445.  
Greater Whiteville. (800) 538-2449/  
(910) 642-3171.  
Hope Mills. (910) 423-4314.  
Kenansville Area. (910) 296-2180.  
Lumberton Visitors Bureau.  
(800) 359-6971/  
(910) 739-9999.  
[www.i95travel.com](http://www.i95travel.com)  
Pembroke. (910) 521-9758.  
Red Springs. (910) 843-5441.  
Saint Pauls. (910) 865-3890.  
Spring Lake. (910) 497-8821.  
Tabor City. (910) 653-2031.  
Wallace. (910) 285-4044.  
Warsaw. (910) 293-7804.

## Historical and Cultural

Cowan Museum, Kenansville. (910) 296-2149.  
Duplin County Southern Plantation Tours, Kenansville. (910) 296-1000.  
Duplin County Veterans Museum, Warsaw. In L.P. Best House.  
(910) 293-2190.  
Elwell Ferry, Bladen County. (910) 862-3396.  
Fascinate-U Children's Museum, Fayetteville. (910) 433-1573.  
Fayetteville Market House. A historic market building landmark.  
Fayetteville Museum of Art. (910) 485-0548.  
Fort Bragg Military Reservation and 82nd Airborne Division War Memorial.  
(910) 432-3443. [www.bragg.army.mil](http://www.bragg.army.mil)  
Heritage Square, Fayetteville. (910) 483-6009.  
John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Museum, Ft. Bragg. (910) 432-1533.  
Liberty Hall Plantation, Kenansville. (910) 296-2175.  
Moore's Creek National Battlefield, Currie. Revolutionary War site.  
(910) 283-5591.  
Museum of the Cape Fear Historical Complex, Fayetteville. (910) 486-1330.  
N.C. Indian Cultural Center, Pembroke. (910) 521-2433.  
Pope Air Force Base. Limited tours. (910) 394-4183. [www.pope.af.mil](http://www.pope.af.mil)  
Robeson County Historical Showcase Museum, Lumberton. (910) 738-7979.  
Robeson County Planetarium. (910) 739-3302.  
Sampson County History Museum, Clinton. (910) 590-0007.  
The Southerland House, Kenansville. Duplin County Civil War Collection.  
(910) 296-1000 (by appointment).  
UNC-Pembroke and American Indian Resource Center. (910) 521-6266.

## Electric Cooperatives

Brunswick EMC (Shallotte, Whiteville, Oak Island, Bolivia).  
(910) 754-4391.  
Four County EMC (Burgaw, Elizabethtown, Rose Hill). (910) 259-2171.  
Lumbee River EMC (Red Springs, Fairmont, Lake Rim, Laurinburg,  
Lumberton, Raeford). (910) 843-4131.  
South River EMC (Dunn, Stedman, Anderson Creek). (910) 892-8071.

## Parks and Recreation

Bladen Lakes Educational State Forest, Elizabethtown.  
(910) 588-4964.  
Cabin Lake Recreational Park, Beulaville.  
(910) 298-3648.  
Flora Macdonald Campus and Gardens, Red Springs.  
(910) 843-5000.  
Jones Lake State Park, Elizabethtown. (910) 588-4550.  
Lake Waccamaw State Park. (910) 646-4748.  
Lumber River State Park, Orrum. (910) 628-9844.  
Singletary Lake State Park, Kelly. (910) 669-2928.  
Turn Bull Creek State Forest, Elizabethtown.  
(910) 588-4161.  
World's Largest Frying Pan, Rose Hill. Town Square.



# Roanoke Rapids to Kingston



## Parks and Recreation

Clemmons State Forest, Clayton. Educational forest. (919) 553-5651.  
 Cliffs of the Neuse State Park, Seven Springs. 751 acres riverfront. (919) 778-6234.  
 Howell Woods. (919) 938-0115.  
 Kinston Drag Strip. (252) 522-9551.  
 Kinston Indians. Minor league baseball. (252) 527-9111.  
 Medoc Mountain State Park, Halifax County. 2,287 acres, picnicking, canoeing, camping. (252) 445-2280.  
 Neuseway Nature Park and Campground, Kinston. (252) 939-3367.  
 River Falls Park, Weldon. Overlook the rapids, hike and picnic. Rockfish capital of the world. (800) 522-4282.  
 River Falls Park, Weldon. (800) 522-4282.  
 Roanoke Canal Trail, Roanoke Rapids. Seven miles along early 19th century canal. (800) 522-4282.  
 Southern National Speedway, Kenly, NASCAR April-October. (919) 284-1114.  
 Waynesborough State Park, Goldsboro. 142 acres. (919) 739-9989.  
 Wilson Rose Garden. 140 varieties. (800) 497-7398.

## Electric Cooperatives

Edgecombe-Martin County EMC (Tarboro).  
 (252) 823-2171.  
 Halifax EMC (Enfield). (252) 445-5111.  
 Pitt & Greene EMC (Farmville).  
 (252) 753-3128.  
 Roanoke Electric Cooperative (Rich Square).  
 (252) 539-2236.  
 Tri-County EMC (Dudley). (919) 735-2611.



Bentonville Battleground re-enactment of Civil War battle.



## Travel Information

Benson Chamber. (919) 894-3825.  
 Clayton Chamber. (919) 553-6352.  
 Eastern N.C. Chamber.  
 (919) 237-5151.  
 Farmville. (919) 753-4670.  
 Greater Goldsboro Travel & Tourism.  
 (919) 734-2245.  
[www.greatergoldsboro.com](http://www.greatergoldsboro.com)  
 Greenville/Pitt County Convention &  
 Visitors Bureau. (800) 537-5564.  
 Halifax County Tourism.  
 (800) 522-4282.  
[www.visithalifax.com](http://www.visithalifax.com)  
 Johnston County Visitors Bureau.  
 (800) 441-7829.  
[www.johnstonco-cvb.org](http://www.johnstonco-cvb.org)  
 Kenly Chamber. (919) 284-5510.  
 Kinston-Lenoir County.  
 (252) 527-1131.  
 Kinston Convention & Visitors  
 Bureau. (800) 869-0032.  
[www.visitkinston.com](http://www.visitkinston.com)  
 Lagrange. (252) 527-1131.  
 Mt. Olive Area. (919) 658-3113.  
 Nash County Visitors Bureau. (800)  
 849-6825.  
[www.RockyMountTravel.com](http://www.RockyMountTravel.com)  
 N.C. Welcome Center (I-95 North).  
 (252) 537-9836.  
 N.C. Welcome Center (I-85 North).  
 (252) 456-3236.  
 Roanoke Valley. (800) 522-4282.  
 Scotland Neck. (252) 826-3917.  
 Smithfield-Selma Area Chamber.  
 (919) 934-9166.  
[www.smithfieldselma.com](http://www.smithfieldselma.com)  
 Tarboro-Edgecombe County.  
 (252) 823-7241.  
 Wayne County. (919) 734-2241.  
 Wilson Visitors Bureau.  
 (800) 497-7398/(252) 243-8440.

## Historic and Cultural

Arts Council of Wayne County, Goldsboro.  
 (919) 736-3300.  
 Arts Council of Wilson. (252) 291-4329.  
 Atkinsons Mill. 240-year-old operating grist mill, out-  
 side Selma. Tours. (919) 965-3547.  
 Ava Gardner Museum. All about the legendary actress  
 and county native. Smithfield. (919) 934-5830.  
 Bentonville Battleground, Four Oaks. Site of N.C.'s  
 largest land Civil War battle. (910) 594-0789.  
 Blount-Bridgers House, Tarboro. 1808 plantation  
 home includes the Hobson Pittman Memorial Art  
 Gallery. (252) 823-4159.  
 Boyette-Slave and School House, Kenly. Historic, one-  
 room log house. (919) 284-3431.  
 Boykin Cultural Center, Wilson. (252) 291-4329.  
 Buck Spring Plantation, Warrenton. Home of early  
 political leader. (252) 257-3640.  
 Carolina Outlet Center, Exit 96, I-95 in Smithfield.  
 Over 85 outlets. (919) 989-8757.  
 Caswell Center Museum and Visitors Center, Kinston.  
 (252) 559-5125.  
 Caswell No. 1 Fire Station Museum, Kinston.  
 (252) 527-1566.  
 Charles B. Aycock Birthplace, Freemont. 1846 cottage  
 where the governor was born. (919) 242-5581.  
 Children's Museum, Rocky Mount. (252) 972-1167.  
 City of Antiques, Wilson. (800) 497-7398.  
 College View Historic District, Greenville. An early  
 20th century residential neighborhood.  
 (252) 329-4487.  
 Community Council for the Arts, Kinston. Galleries,  
 studios, historic district. (252) 527-2517.  
 Country Doctor Museum, Bailey. (252) 235-4165.  
 CSS Ram Neuse State Historic Site and Richard  
 Caswell Memorial, near Kinston. Restored remains  
 of Neuse ironclad vessel. (252) 522-2091.  
 Dunn Center for the Performing Arts, Rocky Mount.  
 (252) 985-5428.  
 East Carolina Village of Yesteryear, Greenville.  
 Agricultural life of the area from 1840-1940. On  
 county fairgrounds. (252) 329-4200.  
 "First For Freedom," Halifax. Outdoor drama about  
 the Halifax Resolves. (800) 522-4282.  
 Greenville Museum of Art. Features 19th and 20th  
 century American art and the state's largest public  
 collection of Jugtown Pottery. (252) 758-1946.  
 Grifton Depot, Grifton. 1920 railroad depot.  
 (252) 524-5169.  
 Grifton Historical Museum, Grifton. Pre-historic and  
 Tuscarora Indian artifacts. (252) 524-5168.  
 Harmony Hall, Kinston. Once owned by 1770s Gov.  
 Richard Caswell. (800) 869-0032.  
 Heritage Place, Kinston. Lenoir Community College.  
 (252) 527-6223.  
 Historic Albemarle Tour. (800) 734-1117.  
 Historic Halifax. Restored buildings, film, exhibits and  
 tours of the town that spawned America's inde-  
 pendence in 1776. (252) 583-7191.  
 Historic Jackson. (252) 534-3811.  
 Historic Tarboro. (252) 823-4159.  
 Independence Station, Halifax. Co-op gallery of  
 crafters and artisans. (252) 583-2278.  
 Imagination Station, Wilson. Hands-on science muse-  
 um geared to children. (252) 291-5113.  
 Johnston County Heritage Center, Smithfield.  
 (919) 934-2836.  
 JR's Tobacco & Fragrance Outlet, Selma.  
 (919) 965-5055.  
 Kinston Bluegrass Association. (252) 527-1066.  
 Lakeland Cultural Arts Center, Littleton. Year-round  
 dinner theater. (252) 586-3124.  
 May Museum and Park, Farmville. May family arti-  
 facts and large quilt collection. (252) 753-5814.  
 Playhouse Community Theater, Rocky Mount.  
 (252) 972-1441.  
 Pitt County Arts Council. (252) 757-1785.  
 Robert Lee Humber House, Greenville. Contains east-  
 ern office of state Division of Archives and History.  
 (252) 830-6580.  
 Rocky Mount Arts Center. (252) 972-1163.  
 Selma Antiques Mecca. Over 15 antique stores.  
 (919) 965-9841.  
 Selma Railroad Depot. Historic Amtrak station.  
 (919) 965-9841.  
 Spring Hope Historical Museum. (252) 478-3213.  
 Stonewall Manor, Rocky Mount. 1830 plantation  
 house with furnishings. (252) 972-5080.  
 Tarboro Historic District & National Recreation Trail.  
 For a guide: (800) TARBORO.  
 Tobacco Farm Life Museum, Kenly. (919) 284-3431.  
 Wayne County Museum, Goldsboro. (919) 734-5023.  
 Waynesborough Village, Goldsboro. (919) 739-9989.  
 Wellington B. Gray Gallery, Greenville. African  
 art objects. (252) 328-6336.  
 Wilbur A. Tyndall Tractor Museum, Pink Hill.  
 (252) 568-3261.



# The Triangle

## Travel Information

Apex. (919) 362-6456.  
Cary. (919) 467-1016.  
Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber.  
(919) 967-7075.  
Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitors Bureau.  
(888) 968-2060/(919) 968-2060.  
[www.chocvb.org](http://www.chocvb.org)  
Chatham County. (919) 742-3333.  
Durham Convention and Visitors Bureau. (919) 680-8320/  
(800) 446-8604.  
[www.durham-nc.com](http://www.durham-nc.com)  
Franklin County. (919) 496-3056.  
Fuquay-Varina Area. (919) 552-4947.  
Garner. (919) 772-6440.  
Granville County Chamber. (919)  
693-6125/(919) 528-4994.  
[www.granvillecountyonline.com](http://www.granvillecountyonline.com)  
Greater Durham Chamber.  
(919) 682-2133.  
[www.herald-sun.com/dcc](http://www.herald-sun.com/dcc)  
Greater Raleigh Chamber.  
(919) 664-7000.  
[www.raleighchamber.org](http://www.raleighchamber.org)  
Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau. (800) 849-8499/  
(919) 834-5900.  
[www.raleighcvb.org](http://www.raleighcvb.org)  
Henderson-Vance County.  
(919) 438-8414.  
Hillsborough Area. (919) 732-7741.  
Holly Springs Town Hall.  
(919) 552-6221.  
Knightdale Chamber.  
(919) 266-4603.  
Morrisville. (919) 380-9026.  
Rolesville Town Hall.  
(919) 556-3506.  
Roxboro Area. (910) 599-8333.  
Wake Forest Area. (919) 556-1519.  
Wendell. (919) 365-6318.  
Zebulon. (919) 269-6320.

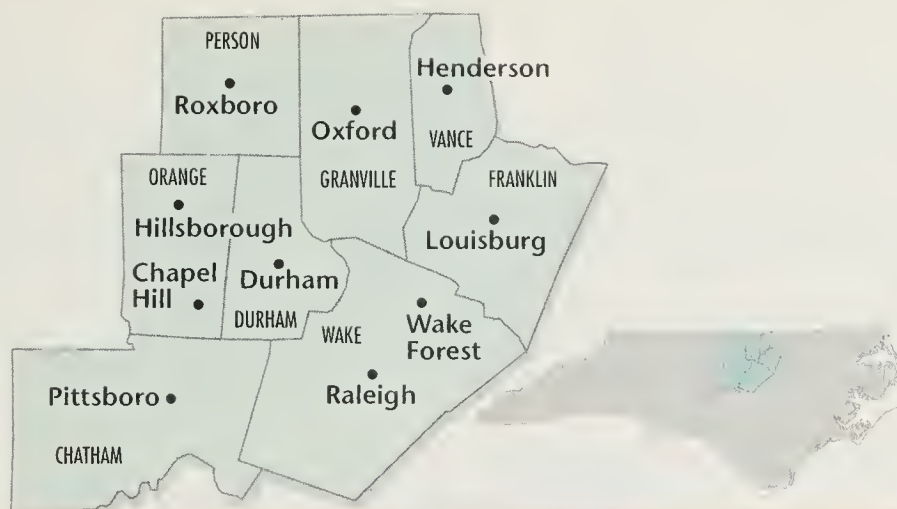
## Parks and Recreation

B. Everett Jordan Lake. U.S. 64. 47,000-acre recreational lake. (919) 362-0586.  
Blue Heaven Basketball Museum, Chapel Hill. Dedicated to Tar Heel basketball. (919) 929-5877. [www.blueheavenmuseum.com](http://www.blueheavenmuseum.com)  
Carolina Cobras, Raleigh. Indoor arena football league. (919) 281-0400.  
[www.cobrasfootball.com](http://www.cobrasfootball.com)  
Carolina Hurricanes, Raleigh. Professional hockey. (919) 467-7825.  
Carolina Memorabilia Room, Chapel Hill. Dean E. Smith Center. (919) 962-7777.  
[www.smithcenter.unc.edu](http://www.smithcenter.unc.edu)  
Carolina Mudcats, Zebulon. Class AA farm team of the Colorado Rockies. (919) 269-2287.  
Carroll Howard Johnson Environmental Education Park, Fuquay-Varina.  
(919) 552-4947.  
Chatham County Bicycle Trails. Request a map of the 198-mile system. (919) 742-3333.  
Crosswinds Marina, Apex. (919) 362-1615.  
Deep River Park, Gulf. Forty acres with picnic tables and site of Historic Camelback Bridge. (919) 898-4814.  
Duke Forest, Durham. 8,300-acre natural area and environmental laboratory.  
(919) 613-8013.  
Duke Homestead and Tobacco Museum, Durham. Ancestral home of the Duke family.  
(919) 477-5498.  
<http://metalab.unc.edu/dukehome>  
Durham Bulls. Class AAA farm team of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. (919) 956-BULL.  
[www.dbulls.com](http://www.dbulls.com)  
Eno River State Park/West Point on the Eno, North Durham. (919) 383-1686.  
Falls Lake, northwest of Raleigh. (919) 676-1027.  
Frank H. Kenan Football Center Hall of Honor, Chapel Hill. (919) 966-2575.  
Fuquay Mineral Spring Park, Fuquay-Varina.  
(919) 552-4947.  
Haw River float trips, Pittsboro. (919) 542-5502.  
[www.rockrest.com](http://www.rockrest.com)  
J.C. Raulston Arboretum at NC State, Raleigh.  
(919) 515-3132.  
Jordan Lake Educational State Forest, Chapel Hill. 400 acres of piedmont forest. (919) 542-1154.  
Jordan Lake State Recreation Area, Apex. 13,900-acre lake with 9 recreation areas.  
(919) 362-0586.  
[www.ils.unc.edu/parkproject/jordindex.html](http://www.ils.unc.edu/parkproject/jordindex.html)  
Kerr Reservoir. 50,000-acre park extending into Virginia. North of Henderson. (919) 438-7791.  
Lake Crabtree County Park, Morrisville. Hiking trails, playground, picnic, boat rentals, fishing pier. (919) 460-3390.  
Lake Wheeler, south of Raleigh. (919) 662-5704.  
Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Gardens, Raleigh. (919) 834-6264.  
Montrose Gardens, Hillsborough. Nationally-known 19th century gardens. (919) 732-7787.  
North Carolina Botanical Garden, Chapel Hill. Off U.S. 15-501 Bypass. (919) 962-0522.  
[www.unc.edu/depts/ncbg](http://www.unc.edu/depts/ncbg)  
Orange County Speedway, Rougemont. (336) 364-1222. [www.orangecountyspeedway.com](http://www.orangecountyspeedway.com)  
Pitt Stop Cafe & Race Shop, Pittsboro. Dine and shop while observing NASCAR mechanics on the job. (919) 545-9500.  
[www.premieremotorsports.com](http://www.premieremotorsports.com)  
Pullen Park, Raleigh. Features a restored 1911 Dentzel carousel. (919) 831-6468.  
The Rocks, Moncure. Gemstone mining and gold panning. (910) 542-6112. [www.ncgems.com](http://www.ncgems.com)  
Sarah P. Duke Gardens. At Duke University, Durham. 55 landscaped areas. (919) 684-5579. [www.hr.duke.edu/dukegardens/](http://www.hr.duke.edu/dukegardens/)  
Talking Tree Trail, Jordan Lake Educational State Forest, Chapel Hill. 3/4 mile trail featuring "talking trees." (919) 542-1154.  
Triangle SportsPlex, Hillsborough. (919) 644-0339. [www.sportsplex.citysearch.com](http://www.sportsplex.citysearch.com)  
University Lake, Chapel Hill. (919) 942-8007.  
[www.owasa.org](http://www.owasa.org)  
William B. Umstead State Park. (919) 571-4170.

## Electric Cooperatives

Piedmont EMC (Hillsborough, Roxboro).  
(919) 732-2123.  
Wake EMC (Wake Forest, Louisburg, Oxford, Zebulon).  
(919) 863-6300.





## Historic and Cultural

Ackland Art Museum, Chapel Hill. (919) 966-5736. [www.ackland.org](http://www.ackland.org)  
 African-American Cultural Complex, Raleigh. Exhibits contributions to the state and nation. (919) 212-3598.

ArtsCenter, Carrboro. Performances, concerts, dancing, art. (919) 929-2787.

Artspace, Raleigh. Gallery with artists' studios. (919) 821-2787.

Ayr Mount, Hillsborough. One of NC's finest federal period plantation houses. (919) 732-6886.

Bennett Place State Historic Site, Durham. Meeting place for Civil War generals. (919) 383-4345.

[www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/sections/hs/bennett/bennett.htm](http://www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/sections/hs/bennett/bennett.htm)

Best of Broadway Theatre Series, Raleigh. Raleigh Memorial Auditorium. (919) 834-4000.

Burwell School, Hillsborough. Historic school and formal gardens. (919) 732-7741.

Capital Area Visitor Center. Information center for Raleigh's state-owned, cultural and historic attractions. (919) 733-3456.

Carolina Ballet. (919) 303-6303.

Carolina Theatre, Durham. Film festivals to live performances.

(919) 560-3040. [www.carolinatheatre.org/](http://www.carolinatheatre.org/)

Carolina Union Performing Arts Series, Chapel Hill. Live performances, concerts, dance. (919) 962-1449. [www.unc.edu/depts/union](http://www.unc.edu/depts/union)

Carrboro Farmers Market. (336) 376-6320.

[www.carrborofarmersmarket.com](http://www.carrborofarmersmarket.com)

Cedar Creek Craft Gallery, Creedmoor. (919) 528-1041.

Chapel Hill Museum. (919) 967-1400.

City Market, Raleigh. Spanish mission-style 1914 marketplace. (919) 828-4555.

Duke University, Durham. (919) 684-2323. [www.duke.edu](http://www.duke.edu)

Duke University Museum of Art, Durham. (919) 684-5135.

[www.duke.edu/web/duma](http://www.duke.edu/web/duma)

Durham Arts Council. Three art galleries and home to 18 arts organizations. (919) 560-2787. [www.durhamarts.org](http://www.durhamarts.org)

Executive Mansion (Governor's residence), Raleigh. (919) 733-3456.

Exploris, Raleigh. World's first global experience center.

(919) 834-4040.

Fearrington Village, Pittsboro. Shops, restaurants, gardens, farmers' market. (919) 542-2121. [www.fearrington.com](http://www.fearrington.com)

Granville County Museum, Oxford. (919) 693-9706.

Hayti Heritage Center, Durham. Located in St. Joseph's African Methodist Episcopal Church, the center represents cooperation between blacks and whites, serves as a performance venue and displays visual-arts exhibitions. (800) 845-9835  
[www.hayti.org](http://www.hayti.org)

Historic Hillsborough. Over 100 late 18th and early 19th century structures. (919) 732-7741. [www.historichillsborough.org](http://www.historichillsborough.org)

Historic Stagville, Durham. Center for the study and teaching of preserving wooden buildings. (919) 477-9835.

[www.ah.dcr.nc.us/sections/do/stagville/default.htm](http://www.ah.dcr.nc.us/sections/do/stagville/default.htm)

The Horace Williams House, Chapel Hill. Weekly trolley tour April-November. (919) 942-7818. [www.chapelhillpreservation.com](http://www.chapelhillpreservation.com)

Mordecai Historic Park, Raleigh. (919) 834-4844.

Morehead Planetarium, Chapel Hill. (919) 549-6863.

[www.morehead.unc.edu](http://www.morehead.unc.edu)

"North Carolina Belongs to Children" mural, Raleigh. Created by James Converse Biggers, a native-born African American artist and his adviser, John Thomas Biggers, north lobby of the Legislative Building. (919) 733-4111

Murals at NCCU, Durham. Uses imagery from the Adinkra language of the Ashanti people of West Africa, located in the lobby of the Jones Building. (919) 560-6391

North Carolina Collection Gallery, Chapel Hill. Exhibits on NC history and University of North Carolina history. (919) 962-1172.

[www.lib.unc.edu/ncc/gallery.html](http://www.lib.unc.edu/ncc/gallery.html)

North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh. State-funded art museum.

(919) 839-6262. [www.ncartmuseum.org](http://www.ncartmuseum.org)

North Carolina Museum of History, Raleigh. (919) 715-0200.

<http://ncmuseumofhistory.org>

North Carolina Museum of Life and Science, Durham. Premier museum for children in the Triangle. (919) 471-4294

<http://triangle.citysearch.com/EV/RDUNC/1000/7B/1.htm/>

North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences, Raleigh. Focuses on natural history and environment of North Carolina. (919) 733-7450.

[www.naturalsciences.org](http://www.naturalsciences.org)

North Carolina State Capitol, Raleigh. (919) 733-4994.

North Carolina State Farmers Market, Raleigh. (919) 733-7417.

N.C. State Legislative Building. (919) 733-7928.

North Carolina State University, Raleigh. (919) 515-2011.

[www.ncsu.edu](http://www.ncsu.edu)

North Carolina Symphony, Raleigh. (919) 733-2750.

[www.ncsymphony.org](http://www.ncsymphony.org)

North Carolina Theatre, Raleigh. (919) 831-6941.

Oakwood Historic District, Raleigh. 400 private homes from 19th century. (919) 834-0887.

Orange County Historical Museum, Hillsborough. Depicts lifestyles from the time of the Indians through the Civil War era.

(919) 732-2104.

Pittsboro Antique Walk. Meander through a variety of antique shops and eateries. (919) 542-5649.

Pittsboro Farmers' Market. Chatham County Fair Grounds.

(919) 542-3813.

Pittsboro Historic District. National Historic Register and museum.

(919) 542-3603.

Playmakers Repertory Company, Chapel Hill. (919) 962-7529.

[www.playmakers.unc.edu](http://www.playmakers.unc.edu)

Raleigh City Museum. Exhibits on the city's history. (919) 832-3775.

Raleigh Little Theatre. (919) 821-4579.

[www.mindspring.com/~rallittletheatre](http://www.mindspring.com/~rallittletheatre)

Ruffin-Roulhac House, Hillsborough. Early 19th century house, once owned by Chief Justice Thomas Ruffin. (919) 732-2104.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Self-guided tours: (919) 962-1630. [www.unc.edu](http://www.unc.edu)

Village of Fearrington, near Pittsboro. Country village with fine shops, inn and 5-diamond dining. (919) 542-4000.

Wakefield/Joel Lane House. Oldest home in Raleigh. (919) 833-3431.



# The Sandhills

## Parks and Recreation

Bicycle routes around Moore County. Rentals, maps available, competition/tours. (910) 692-3330.  
 Five Points Horse Park, Hoke County. Competition Center. (910) 692-4832.  
 Home of American Golf. Pinehurst/Southern Pines Area includes more than 46 golf courses. (910) 692-3330.  
 Kelly's Classic Autos, Pinebluff. (910) 281-0104.  
 N.C. Speedway, Rockingham. Major NASCAR races. (910) 582-2861.  
 Pinehurst Harness Track, NC 5, Pinehurst. Circa-1915 track of 110-plus acres listed in National Register, races, polo matches, etc. (800) 433-TROT.  
 Raven Rock State Park, Lillington. Hiking, horseback riding, canoeing, fishing, camping, picnicking. (910) 893-4888.  
 Rockingham Dragway, Rockingham. (910) 582-3400.  
 Sandhills Horticultural Garden, Pinehurst. Includes largest holly garden on East Coast, roses, conifers, rhododendron and azaleas; native wetland trail and formal English garden. (910) 695-3882/(910)692-6185.  
 Southern Pines Reservoir Park. Trails connected with other vicinity trails to provide more than four miles of hiking and biking trails. (910) 692-2463.  
 Uwharrie National Forest. N.C. 24/27, east of Albemarle. (910) 576-6391.  
 Weymouth Woods Nature Preserve, Southern Pines. 600 acres of natural area, plus hiking trails. (910) 692-2167.

## Travel Information

Angier. (919) 639-2500.  
 Convention and Visitors Bureau for the Village of Pinehurst, Southern Pines and Aberdeen Area. (800) 346-5362/(910) 692-3330.  
[www.homeofgolf.com](http://www.homeofgolf.com)  
 Dunn Area Tourism Authority. (910) 892-3282.  
[www.dunntourism.org](http://www.dunntourism.org)  
 Erwin Area. (910) 897-7300.  
 Laurinburg/Scotland County Area. (910) 276-7420.  
 Lillington Area. (910) 893-3751.  
 Montgomery County. (910) 572-4300.  
 Raeford-Hoke. (910) 875-5929.  
 Richmond County Chamber, Rockingham. (800) 858-1688/(910) 895-9058. [www.richmondcountychamber.com](http://www.richmondcountychamber.com)  
 Sandhills Area Chamber. (910) 692-3926.  
 Sanford Area. (919) 775-7341.



## Historical and Cultural

Averasboro Civil War Battleground and Museum. March 1865 military action, highlights Lebanon, a plantation home used as a Confederate hospital, and the Chicora Cemetery where the battle dead are buried. (910) 891-5019.  
 Bethesda Church and Cemetery, Aberdeen. 1790 historic church. (910) 944-1319.  
 Bryant House & McLendon Cabin, State Rd. #210, Carthage. Historic properties depicting early county life. (910) 947-3995.  
 Cameron Historic District. 19 historic places. Antique fairs in May and October. (910) 245-3697.  
 Campbell House, Southern Pines. Home of Arts Council, monthly on-going exhibits, Railroad Club, Southern Pines Recreation. (910) 692-4356.  
 General William C. Lee Airborne Museum, Dunn. Early 20th century Neoclassical Revival house was home to "the father of the American Airborne." (919) 892-1947.  
 Harnett County Indian Museum, Kipling. (910) 552-2336.  
 Historic Summerville Presbyterian Church. Built in 1845-1846. Adjoining cemetery contains the grave of a mysterious stranger found dead inside the church. (910) 893-4620.  
 The House in the Horseshoe State Historic Site, S.R. 1644, near Sanford. Colonial plantation home. (910) 947-2051.  
 The Howard House, Dunn. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places. (910) 892-1981.  
 Malcolm Blue Farm, Aberdeen. Antebellum farm on National Register of Historic Places. (910) 944-7558.  
 Midland Crafters, on N.C. 2. Sells the work of many American craftspeople. (910) 295-6156.  
 National Railroad Museum and Hall of Fame, Hamlet. Railroad memorabilia.  
 North Carolina Pottery Center, Seagrove. History and exhibits of NC potters. (336) 873-8430.  
 Rankin Museum of American Heritage, Ellerbe. Traces humankind's adaptation to environment. (910) 652-6378.  
 Sandhills Women's Exchange, Pinehurst. Handmade baked goods and American crafts. (910) 295-4677.  
 Seagrove Potters. Pottery country. Most studios open to the public.  
 Shaw House, Southern Pines. 1840 Antebellum home of sturdy simplicity; home of Moore County Historical Association. (910) 692-2051.  
 Sunrise Theater, Southern Pines. Sandhills Theater Company, classical concerts, film festival, children's theater, family series, special performances. (910) 692-3611.  
 Town Creek Indian Mound, near Mt. Gilead. 500-year-old burial site. (910) 439-6802.  
 Tufts Archives, Pinehurst. James Walker Tufts' dream of Pinehurst displayed. (910) 295-3642.  
 Weymouth Center, Southern Pines. Historic home hosts N.C. Literary Hall of Fame, readings, concerts, lectures. (910) 692-6261.

## Electric Cooperatives

Central EMC (Sanford). (919) 774-4900.  
 Lumbee River EMC (Red Springs, Fairmont, Lake Rim, Laurinburg, Lumberton, Raeford). (910) 843-4131.  
 Randolph EMC (Asheboro, Robbins). (910) 625-5177.  
 Pee Dee EMC (Wadesboro, Rockingham). (704) 694-2114.  
 South River EMC (Dunn, Stedman, Anderson Creek). (910) 892-8071.



# The Piedmont Triad

## Historical and Cultural

Alamance Battleground State Historic Site. N.C. 62 South. Site of the battle that ended the War of the Regulation. (336) 227-4785.  
[www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/sections/hs/alamance.htm](http://www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/sections/hs/alamance.htm)

Alamance County Arts Council, Holt White House, Graham. Restored historic home and art gallery. (336) 226-4495.

Alamance Country Historical Museum. NC 62 South, Burlington. 19th century house-museum depicting the life of textile pioneer Edwin M. Holt. (336) 226-8254.

Andy Griffith Museum/Mount Airy Visitors Center. (800) 576-0231.

Andy Griffith Playhouse, Mount Airy. (336) 786-7998/(800) 286-6193.

Angela Peterson Doll and Miniature Museum, High Point. South's largest doll museum. (336) 885-3655.

Arts United of Davidson County, Lexington. (336) 249-2742.

Barn Dinner Theatre, Greensboro. One of the oldest dinner theatres in the country offering Broadway shows. (336) 292-2211/(800) 668-1764. [www.zip2.com/mainstreet/thebarn](http://www.zip2.com/mainstreet/thebarn)

Battle of Clapp's Mill-Memorial Marker, Burlington. Lake Macintosh. (800) 637-3804.

Bernice Bienenstock Furniture Library, High Point. 7,000 volumes on furniture, design and the decorative arts. (336) 883-4011. [www.furniturelibrary.com](http://www.furniturelibrary.com)

Blandwood Mansion & Carriage House, Greensboro. Former home of Gov. John Motley Morehead. (336) 272-5003.

The Bob Timberlake Gallery, Lexington. (800) 244-0095.

Burlington Historic Railroad Depot and Ampitheater. Renovated depot with murals depicting city life from 1893-1993. (336) 222-5030. [www.ci.burlington.nc.us](http://www.ci.burlington.nc.us)

Burlington Manufacturers Outlet Center. I-85/I-40, Burlington. Exit 145. Over 75 outlets. (800) 637-3804.

Carolina Theater, Greensboro. Restored 1927 vaudeville-style theater featuring dance, concerts and film. (336) 333-2600. [www.carolinatheatre.com](http://www.carolinatheatre.com)

Castle McCulloch, Jamestown. Historic gold refinery. (336) 887-5413. [www.spyder.net/castle](http://www.spyder.net/castle)

Colonial Heritage Center & Hoskins House at Tannenbaum Historic Park, Greensboro. Features restored Revolutionary War house. (336) 545-5315.  
[www.home.interpath.net/history](http://www.home.interpath.net/history)

Cedarock Historical Working Farm & Park. NC 49 South, Burlington. 414-acre park and working farm. (336) 570-6769 or (336) 570-6760. [www.alamance-nc.com](http://www.alamance-nc.com)

Charlotte Hawkins Brown Memorial State Historic Site. U.S. 70, Sedalia. State's first official historic site honoring an African-American woman. On the campus of the former Palmer Institute. (336) 449-4846. [www.netpath.net/~chb](http://www.netpath.net/~chb)

Chinqua-Penn Plantation, Reidsville. 1920s country manor filled with eclectic art. (336) 349-4576/(800) 948-0947.

Davidson County Historical Museum, Lexington. (336) 242-2035.

Davie County Arts Council. (336) 751-3112.

Delta Arts Center, Winston-Salem. African American arts and humanities. (336) 722-2625.

Denton Farm Park. Southeast Old Threshers' Reunion, Horse and Mule Days, Doyle Lawson Bluegrass Festival. (336) 859-2755. [www.threshers.com/farmpark](http://www.threshers.com/farmpark)

Diggs Gallery, Winston-Salem State University. African American and contemporary art. (336) 750-2458 [www.wssu.edu/diggs](http://www.wssu.edu/diggs)

Edwards-Franklin House, Surry County. 1799 plantation house museum of Surry County Historical Society. (336) 786-8359.

Fiddle and Bow, Winston-Salem. Triad's traditional music society. (336) 727-1038.

Furniture Discovery Center, High Point. Interactive furniture manufacturing museum. (336) 887-3876. [www.furniturediscovery.org](http://www.furniturediscovery.org)

The Gallery at Old Salem, Winston-Salem. (336) 721-7300. [www.oldsalem.org](http://www.oldsalem.org)

Gertrude Smith House, Mount Airy. 1902 Victorian home. (800) 576-0231.

Glencoe Mill Village. Cotton mill complex and associated worker housing community built between 1880-1882. (336) 228-6644. [www.presnc.org](http://www.presnc.org)

Greensboro Children's Museum. Hands-on exhibits for ages 1-12. (336) 574-2898.  
[www.gcmuseum.com](http://www.gcmuseum.com)

Greensboro Cultural Center at Festival Park. Home to 15 visual- and performing-arts organizations, five art galleries, a restaurant, and an outdoor amphitheater. (336) 373-2712.

Greensboro Historical Museum. History of the city and surrounding area, including "The Greensboro Sit-Ins," displays. (336) 373-2043. [www.greensboro.lib.nc.us/museum](http://www.greensboro.lib.nc.us/museum)

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## Travel Information

Archdale-Trinity. (336) 434-2073.

Asheboro/Randolph C of C & Tourism Bureau. (336) 626-2626.

Burlington/Alamance County Convention and Visitors Bureau. (800) 637-3804/  
 (336) 570-1444.  
[www.burlington-area-nc.org](http://www.burlington-area-nc.org)

Caswell County. (336) 694-6106.

Davie County. (336) 751-3304.  
[daviecoc@ix.netcom.com](mailto:daviecoc@ix.netcom.com)

Eden. (336) 623-3336.

Greater Elkin-Jonesville-Arlington. (336) 526-1111.

Greater Mount Airy. (800) 576-0231.  
[www.visitmayberry.com](http://www.visitmayberry.com)

Greensboro Area Chamber of Commerce. (336) 275-8675.

Greensboro Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. (800) 344-2282/  
 (336) 274-2282. [www.greensboronc.org](http://www.greensboronc.org)

High Point. (336) 889-8151.

High Point Convention and Visitors Bureau. (800) 720-5255 / (336) 884-5255.  
[www.highpoint.org](http://www.highpoint.org)

Kernersville. (336) 993-4521.

King Chamber. (336) 983-9308.  
[www.kingnc.com](http://www.kingnc.com)

Lexington Convention and Visitors Bureau. (336) 236-4218.

Liberty. (336) 622-4937.

Piedmont Triad Visitor Center. (800) 388-9830/(336) 388-9830.

Reidsville. (336) 349-8481.

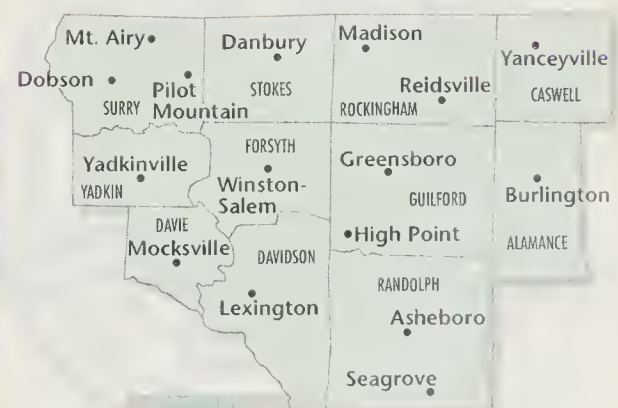
Thomasville Area. (336) 475-6134/  
 (800) 611-9907.

Western Rockingham. (336) 548-6248.

Winston-Salem Convention and Visitors Bureau. (800) 331-7018/(336) 728-4200.  
[www.visitwinstonsalem.com](http://www.visitwinstonsalem.com)

Winston-Salem Visitor Center. (800) 331-7018/(336) 777-3796.

Yadkin County. (336) 367-7251.





# The Piedmont Triad

## Historical and Cultural (continued)

- Guilford Courthouse National Military Park. Site of an important Revolutionary War battle, 220 acres of trails. (336) 288-1776. [www.nps.gov/guco](http://www.nps.gov/guco)
- Haw River Historical Museum, Haw River. (336) 578-1646/ (336) 578-4467. [www.rootsweb.com/~nchrha](http://www.rootsweb.com/~nchrha)
- High Point Museum & Historic Park. Oldest home on original site in Guilford County. (336) 885-6859. [www.high-point.net/dept/museum](http://www.high-point.net/dept/museum)
- Historic Bethabara Park, Winston-Salem. First Moravian settlement. (336) 924-8191. [www.bethabarapark.org](http://www.bethabarapark.org)
- Historic Uptown Lexington. 41 quaint retail shops in historic district. (336) 236-4218.
- Horne Creek Living Historical Farm, Pinnacle. Recreates life and work of 1900-1910. (336) 325-2298. [www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/sections/hs/horne/horne.htm](http://www.ah.dcr.state.nc.us/sections/hs/horne/horne.htm)
- Lindley's Mill-Memorial Marker. NC 87, Eli Whitney. (800) 637-3804.
- Korner's Folly, Kernersville. 1880 restored tour house filled with interior design wonders. (336) 996-7922. [www.kornersfolly.org](http://www.kornersfolly.org)
- Market Square, High Point. Renovated chair factory and trade show-center. (336) 884-5255.
- Mattye Reed African Heritage Center Gallery, Greensboro (N.C. A&T State University). Over 3,500 African art objects. (336) 334-3209.
- McCray School, Burlington. One-room school that served the rural black population from 1869 to mid-20th century. (800) 637-3804.
- Mendenhall Plantation, Jamestown. Early 19th-century Quaker plantation. (336) 454-3819.
- Millis Regional Health Education Center, High Point. Interactive health education, programs and wellness center. (336) 878-6713.
- Moore House, Mount Airy. Antebellum home. (336) 786-4512.
- Mount Airy Museum of Regional History. (336) 786-4478.
- Museum of Anthropology, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem. The only museum devoted to the study of world cultures. (336) 758-5282. [www.wfu.edu/MOA](http://www.wfu.edu/MOA)
- Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts, Winston-Salem. Regional decorative arts of the early South. (888) 348-5420. [www.oldsalem.org](http://www.oldsalem.org)
- Natural Science Center of Greensboro. Hands-on museum, zoo and planetarium. (336) 288-3769. [www.greensboro.com/sciencecenter](http://www.greensboro.com/sciencecenter)
- North Carolina's Oldest Train Depot. (336) 475-6134/(800) 611-9907.
- North Carolina School of the Arts, Winston-Salem. First state-supported arts school in the nation. (336) 721-1945. [www.ncarts.edu](http://www.ncarts.edu)
- North Carolina Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Park. Off I-85, exit 102, one mile south of Thomasville. (336) 475-6134/(800) 611-9907.
- Old Greensborough Preservation Society. Self-guided walking tour brochures of downtown. (336) 272-6617.
- Old Mill of Guilford, N.C. 68, Oak Ridge. Working mill dating back to 1745, gift shop with stone-ground meal made on premises, honey, ham, pottery and crafts. (336) 643-4783.
- Old Salem, Winston-Salem. 18th- and 19th-century living history Moravian town. (888) 348-5420. [www.oldsalem.org](http://www.oldsalem.org)
- Paramount Theater, Burlington. Renovated, located in historic downtown. (336) 222-5001 or (336) 222-TIXS. [www.ci.burlington.nc.us](http://www.ci.burlington.nc.us)
- Peddycord Foundation for Aircraft Conservation, Asheboro. WWII air warbird museum. (336) 625-0170.
- Piedmont Blues Preservation Society, Greensboro. (336) 275-4944.
- Piedmont Chamber Singers, Winston-Salem. (336) 722-4022.
- Piedmont Craftsmen, Inc., Winston-Salem. Represents 300+ of the Southeast's finest craft artisans. (336) 725-1516. [www.piedmontcraftsmen.org](http://www.piedmontcraftsmen.org)
- Piedmont Opera Theatre, Winston-Salem. (336) 725-7101. [www.piedmontopera.org](http://www.piedmontopera.org)
- Pyle's Defeat-Memorial Marker, Burlington. Old Trail Rd. (800) 637-3804.
- Replacements Ltd., Greensboro. World's largest retailer of old and new china, crystal, flatware and collectibles. (800) 737-5223.
- R.J. Reynolds Whitaker Park, Winston-Salem. Cigarette manufacturing museum. (336) 741-5718.
- Reynolda House, Museum of American Art, Winston-Salem. American art displayed in the former home of R.J. Reynolds. (336) 725-5325. [www.reynoldahouse.org](http://www.reynoldahouse.org)
- Richard Childress Racing Museum, Welcome. Souvenir shops of Dale Earnhardt, Kevin Harvick and Mike Skinner. (800) 476-3389.
- Richard Petty Museum, Level Cross. (336) 495-1143.
- The Sawtooth Center for Visual Arts, Winston-Salem. Houses three art galleries. (336) 725-8916. [www.sawtooth.org](http://www.sawtooth.org)
- Seagrove, U.S. 220, 45 minutes south of Greensboro. More than 90 active potters and studios. (336) 973-3649.
- SciWorks, Winston-Salem. Science Museum and Environmental Park. (336) 767-6730. [www.sciworks.org](http://www.sciworks.org)
- Snow Camp Outdoor Drama, Snow Camp. NC 49 South. "The Sword of Peace" and "Pathway to Freedom," June-August. Other productions include musicals and children's theater. (336) 376-6948. [www.snowcampdrama.com](http://www.snowcampdrama.com)
- Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art, Winston-Salem. (336) 725-1904. [www.secca.org](http://www.secca.org)
- Springfield Museum of Old Domestic Life, High Point. (336) 882-3054.
- Textile Heritage Center, Cooleemee. Tells story of mill village life. (336) 284-6040.
- Theatre Art Galleries, High Point. Encompasses three exhibition areas. (336) 887-2137.
- Weatherspoon Art Gallery, Greensboro. 4,000 works of 20th-century American art. (336) 334-5770. [www.uncg.edu/wag](http://www.uncg.edu/wag)
- Winston-Salem Piedmont Triad Symphony. (336) 723-7919. [www.wssymphony.org](http://www.wssymphony.org)
- Wright Tavern, Wentworth. Restored 19th century tavern with rare "Dog Run" architecture. (336) 342-5901.



## Parks and Recreation

Ace Speedway/ NASCAR Racing. Weekly racing series April - September. (336) 585-1200 (336) 584-6354. [www.acespeedway.com](http://www.acespeedway.com)

Alamance County Haw River Trail. 35 miles of flat water canoeing through the heart of Alamance County. (336) 513-5510. [www.netpath.net/~graham](http://www.netpath.net/~graham)

Bicentennial Gardens, Greensboro. Long-time favorite with flowering and deciduous trees, shrubs and annual beds. (336) 373-2199.

Boone's Cave State Park. Near N.C. 150. (704) 982-4402.

Burlington City Park. Features 1910 Dentzel Menagerie Carousel, miniature train, amusement rides, Aquatic and Tennis center. (336) 222-5030. [www.ci.burlington.nc.us](http://www.ci.burlington.nc.us)

Burlington Indians Baseball. Appalachian League affiliate of the Cleveland Indians. (336) 222-0223. [www.burlingtonindians.com](http://www.burlingtonindians.com)

Bryan Park, U.S. 29, Browns Summit. On southern shore of 1,500-acre Lake Townsend. (336) 375-2222. [www.bryanpark.com](http://www.bryanpark.com)

Celebration Station, Greensboro. Family fun entertainment center. (336) 316-0606.

City Lake Park, High Point. (336) 887-2511.

Emerald Pointe, Greensboro. Largest water amusement park in the Carolinas. (336) 852-9721/(800) 555-5900. [www.emeraldpointe.com](http://www.emeraldpointe.com)

Greensboro Arboretum. Nine different labeled plant collections and garden displays in a 17-acre setting. (336) 373-2199.

Hanes Park. Largest park in Winston-Salem. (336) 727-2137.

Hanging Rock State Park. N.C. 89, north of Winston-Salem. Largest state park in the Piedmont. (336) 593-8480. <http://ils.unc.edu/parkproject/haro.html>

High Rock Lake. (336) 236-4218.

Ice Chalet, Greensboro. Family ice skating venue. (336) 852-1515.

Jaycee and County Parks, Greensboro. Tennis, baseball, softball, fishing and trails. (336) 545-5343.

North Carolina Zoological Park. U.S. 220 near Asheboro. Large, natural environment zoo. (800) 488-0444. [www.nczoo.org](http://www.nczoo.org)

Oak Hollow Lake Park, High Point. (336) 883-3418.

Piedmont Environmental Center, High Point. Hiking trails, educational programs and the new NC Mapscape. (336) 883-8531.

Pilot Mountain State Park. U.S. 52, northwest of Winston-Salem. The area's most distinctive geologic attraction. (336) 325-2355. <http://ils.unc.edu/parkproject/pimo.html>

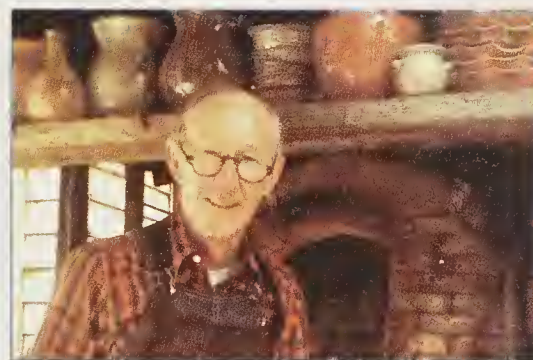
Reynolda Gardens, Winston-Salem. Four acres of formal gardens, a greenhouse range and 125 acres of fields and woodlands. (336) 725-5325. [www.wfu.edu/gardens](http://www.wfu.edu/gardens)

Tanglewood Park, Clemmons. 1,300-acre park. (336) 778-6300. [www.tanglewoodpark.com](http://www.tanglewoodpark.com)

World's Largest Chest of Drawers, High Point. 32 ft. tall. (336) 883-2016.

World's Largest Open-Faced Granite Quarry, Mount Airy. (800) 948-0949.

World's Largest Chair, Thomasville. A monument to the area's furniture-making heritage. (336) 476-6134/(800) 611-9907.



Seagrove Pottery.



Polar bears at the N.C. Zoological Park, Asheboro

## Electric Cooperatives

EnergyUnited (Statesville, Mocksville, Cornelius, Taylorsville)  
(704) 873-5241; (Lexington, Madison) (336) 249-3131

Piedmont EMC (Hillsborough, Roxboro). (919) 732-2123

Randolph EMC (Asheboro, Robbins). (336) 625-5177

Surry-Yadkin EMC (Dobson). (336) 386-8241.



# Greater Charlotte



## Travel Information

Anson County (704) 694-4181.  
 Belmont. (704) 825-5307.  
 Bessemer City Area. (704) 629-3900.  
 Cabarrus County Visitors Center.  
 (704) 938-4550.  
 Charlotte Chamber. (704) 378-1300.  
 Charlotte Conv. and Visitors Bureau.  
 (800) 722-1994. [www.charlottecvb.org](http://www.charlottecvb.org)  
 Cherryville. (704) 435-3451.  
 Concord-Cabarrus County.  
 (704) 782-4111.  
 Gaston County Travel & Tourism.  
 (800) 849-9994. [www.gaston.org](http://www.gaston.org)  
 Gaston County Chamber. (704) 864-2621.  
 Kannapolis. (704) 932-4164.  
 Marshville. (704) 624-3183.  
 Matthews. (704) 847-3649.  
 Mint Hill. (704) 545-9726. [www.minthill.com](http://www.minthill.com)  
 North Mecklenburg. (704) 892-1922.  
 Rowan County Conv. & Visitors Bureau.  
 (800) 332-2343/(704) 638-3100.  
[www.visitsalisburync.com](http://www.visitsalisburync.com)  
 Rowan County Chamber. (704) 633-4221.  
 Stanly County Chamber. (704) 982-8116.  
 Union County. (704) 283-6886.

## A View From Here



*This view overlooks our broodmare pasture. As spring progresses and new foals join the mares in the field, we get to watch the babies run and jump, chase and play. We get so much enjoyment – just seeing the joy and exuberance of new life and the patience of the mares as they deal with all this excess energy.*

Susan Baucom Yandle  
 Wingate  
 Pee Dee Electric

## Parks and Recreation

Cane Creek Park, Waxhaw. Fishing, boating, swimming, miniature golf, camping, biking, horseback riding, and more. (704) 843-3919.  
 Carolina Raptor Center, Inc., Huntersville. At Latta Plantation Park. Center for care of injured birds. (704) 875-6521.  
 Charlotte Motor Speedway. NASCAR racing and tours. (704) 455-2121.  
 Cotton Patch Gold Mine. (704) 463-5797.  
 Crowders Mountain State Park. US 29/74, located in Gaston County between Gastonia and Kings Mountain. (704) 853-5375.  
 Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden, Belmont. (704) 825-4490.  
[www.stowegarden.org](http://www.stowegarden.org)  
 Dan Nichols Park, Salisbury. (704) 636-2089.  
 Freedom Park. 1900 East Blvd. Charlotte. (704) 336-2884.  
 Lake Norman. (704) 333-7547.  
 Latta Place/Latta Plantation Nature Preserve. Off I-77, Huntersville. 1800s plantation house and grounds. (704) 875-2312.  
 Lazy 5 Ranch, Mooresville. (704) 663-5100.  
 McDowell Nature Preserve. Off N.C. 49 south. The county's largest park. (704) 588-5224.  
 Morrow Mountain State Park. N.C. 740 east of Charlotte. (704) 982-4402.  
 Paramount's Carowinds. I-77 on N.C./S.C. border. Theme park. (800) 822-4428 / (704) 588-2600.  
 UNC-Charlotte Botanical Gardens. (704) 687-2870.  
 Wing Haven Gardens and Bird Sanctuary, Charlotte. (704) 331-0664.



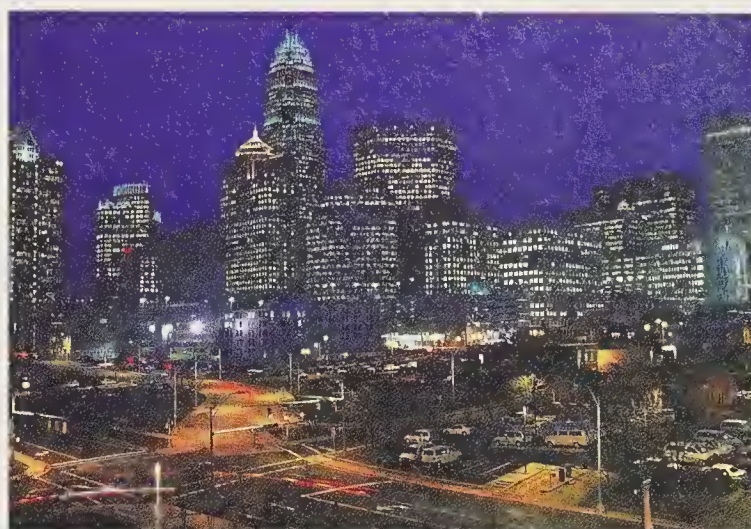
## Electric Cooperatives

EnergyUnited EMC. (Statesville, Mocksville, Cornelius, Taylorsville). (704) 873-5241.

Pee Dee EMC (Wadesboro, Rockingham). (704) 694-2114.

Rutherford EMC (Forest City, Morganton, Crouse). (828) 245-1621.

Union EMC (Monroe, Oakboro). (704) 289-3145.



*Charlotte skyline.*

N.C. Div. of Tourism

## Historical and Cultural

Afro-American Cultural Center, Charlotte. Multi-disciplinary arts organization. (704) 374-1565. [www.aacc-Charlotte.org](http://www.aacc-Charlotte.org)

American Military Museum. Exhibits include weapons and medal displays. (704) 866-6068.

Andrew Jackson Memorial, Waxhaw. (704) 283-6886.

Belmont Abbey, Belmont. Once the only abbey cathedral in the nation, on National Historic Registry. (704) 825-6890.

C. Grier Beam Truck Museum, Cherryville. One of only three truck museums in the country. (704) 435-3072.

Cannon Village, Kannapolis. Restored textile mill merchandise center. (704) 938-3200.

Charlotte Museum of History. Artifacts of local and regional history. (704) 568-1774.

Charlotte Repertory Theatre. (704) 333-8587.

Charlotte Symphony Orchestra. (704) 332-0468.

Charlotte Trolley, Inc. (704) 375-0850.

Cherryville Historical Museum. Local history from early 1800s. (704) 435-8011.

Children's Theatre of Charlotte. Performances and classes. (704) 333-8983.

"Christmas Town USA," McAdenville. Entire town displays millions of lights. (704) 824-3190. <http://users.unet.net/srankin/>

Discovery Place, Charlotte. Hands-on science and technology museum. (800) 935-0553 / (704) 372-0471.

Downtown Salisbury. (704) 637-7814.

Gaston County Museum of Art and History, Dallas. Largest public collection of horse-drawn vehicles in the state. (704) 922-7681.

Hezekiah Alexander Homesite, Charlotte. Oldest standing dwelling in Mecklenburg County. (704) 568-1774.

JAARS, Waxhaw. Technical service arm for Wycliffe Bible Translators and the Summer Institute of Linguistics. (704) 843-6000.

James K. Polk Memorial, Pineville. (704) 337-2000.

JS Pottery, Lowell. Pottery demonstrations, handcrafted items. (704) 824-2483.

Jesse Helms Center, Wingate. (704) 233-1776.

Josephus Hall House, Salisbury. (704) 636-0103.

Kings Mountain National Military Park. Site of major Revolutionary War battle. (704) 867-1181.

Meroney Theatre, Salisbury. (704) 633-5471.

Mexico Cardenas Museum, Waxhaw. (704) 843-6000.

Mint Hill Country Doctor's Museum. (704) 545-9726.

Mint Museum of Art, Charlotte. Local and regional history in permanent and changing exhibits. (704) 337-2000.

Monroe Historic District. (704) 283-6886.

Murals, Charlotte Convention Center. All African-American North Carolina artists. (704) 339-6100

Museum of the Alphabet, Waxhaw. Explores ancient alphabets from around the world. (704) 843-6000.

Museum of the Waxhaws, Waxhaw. Regional history from 1650-1900. (704) 843-1832.

Nature Museum, Charlotte. Specially designed for small children. (800) 935-0553 / (704) 372-6261.

North Carolina Transportation Museum/Historic Spencer Shops, Spencer. (704) 636-2889/(877) 628-6386.

Oakboro Regional Museum of History. (704) 485-3612.

Opera Carolina, Charlotte. (704) 332-7177.

Oratorio Singers of Charlotte. (704) 332-0468.

Reed Gold Mine, N.C. 24/27 Stanfield. First documented gold mine in the United States. (704) 786-8337.

Romare Bearden mural, Charlotte. "Before Dawn," painted by African American artist and native North Carolinian, located in the uptown public library. (704) 336-2725  
[www.plcmc.lib.nc.us/](http://www.plcmc.lib.nc.us/)

Rowan Museum/UzmanChambers House/Old Stone House, Salisbury. (704) 633-5946.

Salisbury Heritage Tour. Audio walking tour. (800) 332-2343.

Salisbury National Cemetery. (704) 636-2661.

Schiele Museum of Natural History, Gastonia. Most frequently visited museum in the state. (704) 866-6900. [www.schielemuseum.org](http://www.schielemuseum.org)

Spirit Square Center for the Arts. Uptown Charlotte's premier arts center. (800) 922-6431 / (704) 372-1000.

Stanly County Museum. (704) 986-3777.

Union County Courthouse and Heritage Room, Monroe. (704) 283-3500.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Brochure with map at the information booth inside the N.C. 49 entrance.

Uwharrie National Forest. N.C. 24/27, east of Albemarle. (910) 576-6391.

Village of Gold Hill, Gold Hill. (704) 279-5674.

A Walk Thru Historic Fourth Ward. Self-guided tour of Uptown Charlotte. (704) 376-0105.

Waterworks Visual Arts Center, Salisbury. Regional exhibits, sensory garden. (704) 636-1882.

Waxhaw Historic District. (704) 283-6886.

West Badin Historic District. A planned community established in 1912 for the employees of an aluminum-reduction plant. (704) 422-3470.



# The Catawba Foothills



## Historical and Cultural

Alva Theatre, N. Sterling St., Morganton. First in Burke County to show "talkies."

Arts and Science Center of Catawba Valley, Hickory. (828) 324-4906.

C. Grier Beam Truck Museum, Cherryville. (704) 435-3072.

Children's Museum of Iredell County (704) 872-7508.

Cleveland County Arts Center. In 1916 post office, uptown Shelby. (704) 484-2787.

Cleveland County Historical Museum, Shelby. (704) 482-8186.

Dale's Market, Enola Rd. & Dale St., Morganton. In continuous use since 1900. (888) 462-2921.

Emerald Village, Little Switzerland. Authentic mining equipment in underground mine. (828) 765-6463. [www.emeraldvillage.com](http://www.emeraldvillage.com)

"From This Day Forward," Valdese. Outdoor drama. Story of Waldensian people. Exhibits on adjacent site. (800) 743-8398.

Fort Dobbs. N.C. Historic Site. (704) 873-5866.

Globe Theater, Alexander Mills. Like Shakespeare's. (800) US-GLOBE.

Green River Plantation, 1804 house open by reservation. South of Rutherfordton. (828) 287-0983.

Hickory Furniture Mart. (828) 322-3510.

Hiddenite Center, Hiddenite. 1914 mansion, gems, art, dolls. (828) 632-6966.

Hiddenite Gems, Hiddenite. "Gem Capital of the World." (828) 632-3394.

Historic Carson House, Marion. Early 19th century house of family who gave townsite. (828) 724-4948.

Historic Downtown Mooresville. (704) 664-3898. [www.downtownmooresville.com](http://www.downtownmooresville.com)

Historic Downtown Saluda.

Historic Downtown Statesville. (704) 878-3436.

Iredell Museum of Arts and Heritage, Statesville. (704) 873-4734.

Josephine's at Lone Beech, Marion. Restaurant on National Register of Historic Places. (828) 659-3374.

Kings Mountain Fire Department Historical Museum, Kings Mountain. (704) 734-0555.

Kings Mountain National Military Park, entrance in Cleveland County. Where the battle that marked the end of the Revolutionary War was fought. (864) 936-7921.

Kouris Warehouse, Shelby. Colonial revival warehouse home to the Farmers' Market.

Ledbetter House, Marion. Tours of 1826 house and antique quilt collection. (828) 738-9798.

Lincolnton Cultural Center, Lincolnton. Museum of history, performance hall. (704) 739-9055.

Maple Grove and Propst House, Hickory. Open by appointment. (828) 322-4731.

McDowell Arts & Crafts Assn., Marion. (828) 652-8610. [www.mcdowellnc.com/MACA](http://www.mcdowellnc.com/MACA)

Mountain Gateway Museum, Old Fort. Pioneer museum. (828) 668-9259.

Murray's Mill, Catawba. Restored family grist mill. (828) 465-0383.

Newton Historic District. Includes Catawba County Museum of History. (828) 465-7400.

N.C. Auto Racing Hall of Fame, Mooresville. (704) 664-3898.

Old Burke County Courthouse, Morganton. Focal point of Historic District, contains Heritage Museum. (828) 437-4104.

Old Fort Arrowhead Monument. Built in 1756, 30-foot tall, honors peace between pioneers and Native Americans. (828) 668-7223.

Old Fort Railroad Museum, Old Fort. Historic depot, railroad and train exhibits. (828) 668-7223.

Orchard at Altapass, Blue Ridge Parkway. Century-old working apple orchard. (828) 765-9531. [www.altapassorchard.com](http://www.altapassorchard.com)

Polk County Courthouse, Columbus. Built in 1857.

Polk County Historical Museum. In the historic Tryon train depot.

Quaker Meadows Plantation, Morganton. Restored McDowell family brick house. (828) 437-4104.

Rutherford County Farm Museum, Forest City. (828) 248-1248.

Sen. Sam Ervin Jr. Library, Morganton. At Western Piedmont Community College. (828) 438-6000.

Shelby Historic District. Walking tour. (704) 481-1842.

Thomas Wolfe's Angel, Old Fort. Lost in a poker game, sits in Old Fort cemetery. (828) 668-7223.

Trail of Faith, Valdese. Waldensian heritage portrayed through 15 monuments and buildings; guided tour, gift shop. (828) 874-1893/ (800) 635-4778.

Tryon Fine Arts Center. (828) 859-8322.

Upstairs Gallery, Tryon. Non-profit contemporary art space. (828) 859-2828.

Waldensian Museum, Valdese. Focus on early Italian settlers of the area. Sundays, April–October. (828) 874-2531.

Andrews Geyser, Old Fort. Monument and picnic area. (828) 668-7223.



## A View From Here

*This sunset was outside our window on a Friday afternoon in December on Lake Norman. It shows the beautiful lake scenery that God has given us.*

*Diane Whitaker Combs  
Mooresville  
Energy United*



## Travel Information

Alexander County (828) 632-8141.  
Burke County Travel & Tourism.  
(828) 433-6793/(888) 462-2921.  
[www.hci-net/~bcttc](http://www.hci-net/~bcttc).  
Catawba County (828) 328-6111.  
Cleveland County Chamber. (704) 487-8521.  
[www.clevelandchamber.org](http://www.clevelandchamber.org)  
Cleveland County Economic Development  
Commission, Shelby (704) 484-4999.  
[www.co.cleveland.nc.us](http://www.co.cleveland.nc.us)  
Greater Hickory (828) 322-1335.  
Greater Statesville. (704) 878-3480  
(877) 531-1819. [www.visitstatesville.org](http://www.visitstatesville.org)  
Hickory Nut Gorge. (828) 625-2725.  
Kings Mountain-Branch of Cleveland County  
(704) 739-4755.  
Lincolnton-Lincoln County. (704) 735-3096.  
McDowell Chamber. (828) 652-4240.  
McDowell Tourism Development Authority,  
Marion. (888) 233-6111/(828) 652-1103.  
[www.mountaintreasures.net](http://www.mountaintreasures.net)  
Mooresville-South Iredell. (704) 664-3898.  
Old Fort Chamber. (828) 668-7223/  
(888) 233-6111.  
[www.home.wnclink.com/depot](http://www.home.wnclink.com/depot)  
Polk County Chamber. (828) 859-6236.  
Polk County Visitors Center, Tryon.  
(800) 440-7848.  
[www.main.nc.us/Polk/visitpolk](http://www.main.nc.us/Polk/visitpolk)  
Rutherford County Chamber. (828) 287-3090.  
e-mail: [chamber@rfci.net](mailto:chamber@rfci.net)  
Rutherford County Tourism Development.  
(800) 849-5998/(828) 286-1110.  
[www.rutherfordtourism.com](http://www.rutherfordtourism.com)

## Parks and Recreation

1919 Herschell-Spillman Carrousel, Shelby. Fully restored, operational carrousel with music provided by an antique band organ. (704) 484-6476.  
Apple Hill Orchard, Morganton. More than nine varieties. Tours, gift shop, homemade apple cider. (828) 437-1224.  
Bottomless Pools, Lake Lure. Natural area in Hickory Nut Gorge. (828) 625-8324.  
Bradley Falls/Little Bradley Falls. I-26 Saluda exit.  
Broad River Greenway, Boiling Springs. Recreational water activities, hiking, bicycling and horse trails. (704) 434-2357. [www.broadrivergreenway.com](http://www.broadrivergreenway.com)  
Brown Mountain Lights. Overlook on Hwy. 181N, Morganton. Visible on clear nights. (828) 433-6793/(888) 462-2921.  
Bunker Hill Covered Bridge, Claremont. One of two in N.C. (828) 465-0383.  
Catawba River Canoe Trips. From Morganton. (828) 437-7016/(888) 462-2921.  
Chimney Rock Park, near Bat Cave. View of Lake Lure and Blue Ridge Mountains, plus recreation areas. (800) 277-9611. [www.chimneyrockpark.com](http://www.chimneyrockpark.com)  
Crowder's Mountain State Park, Kings Mountain. (704) 867-1181.  
Duke Power State Park, Lake Norman. (704) 528-6350.  
Foothills Equestrian Nature Center, Tryon. Hiking and riding trails in 300-acre preserve. (800) 440-7848.  
Green River Cove, Saluda. Runs from Saluda to Lake Adger; swimming, tubing, kayaking and other outdoor activities.  
Hickory Crawdads. Minor league baseball, Clement Blvd., Hickory. (800) 488-3237.  
Hickory Motor Speedway NASCAR track. (828) 464-3655.  
Kings Mountain State Park. Camping, bridle trails, hiking, fishing, swimming. (803) 222-3209.  
Lake James State Park, Nebo. Campsites, picnic areas, hiking, fishing, swimming. (828) 652-5047.  
Lake Lure Tours. Guided boat tours. (828) 625-0077.  
Linville Caverns, between Linville and Marion. Massive limestone caves. (828) 756-4171.  
[www.linvillecaverns.com](http://www.linvillecaverns.com)  
Linville Gorge. Wilderness area in Pisgah National Forest. (828) 652-2144.  
Old Fort Mountain Music. Every Friday evening in downtown Old Fort. (828) 652-1103.  
Overmountain Victory Trail. Historic trail from Virginia to South Carolina. (888) 233-6111.  
[www.ovta.org](http://www.ovta.org)  
Pacolet River Scenic Byway. Scenic drive on Highway 176 from Tryon to historic Saluda.  
Pearson's Falls. 90-foot waterfall, Saluda. (828) 749-3031.  
River's Edge Guide Service. Fly fishing guides specializing in back country trips for trout. (828) 765-2658.  
Saluda Grade. Between Saluda and Tryon. Steepest standard gauge mainline railroad grade in U.S. Adjacent Hwy. 176 is a state Bicycle Highway.  
South Mountains State Park, Connelly Springs. (828) 433-4772.

## Electric Cooperatives

Blue Ridge EMC (Lenoir). (828) 754-9071.  
EnergyUnited EMC (Statesville, Mocksville, Cornelius, Taylorsville). (704) 873-5241.  
Rutherford EMC (Forest City, Morganton, Crouse). (828) 245-1621.



# The Blue Ridge

A View From Here

*Here on Bower Ridge Road is where my husband and I finally settled three years ago, building our home right beside wonderful Mrs. Bower and her country ham biscuits and chicken pies. We have shared laughter, great times, and this fantastic view of Mt. Jefferson.*

Elaine Steffes  
Jefferson  
Blue Ridge Electric



## Historical and Cultural

- Alleghany County Fiddlers Convention. July 20-21. (336) 372-5473.  
An Appalachian Summer. Arts and culture festival at Appalachian State University. (828) 264-2120, (800) 841-ARTS.  
Art by Johannes A.S. Oertel. In St. James Episcopal Church, Lenoir. (828) 754-3712.  
Art in the Park, Blowing Rock. Juried arts and crafts in summer. (828) 295-7851.  
Ashe County Arts Center. (336) 246-ARTS.  
Ashe County Frescoes. At St. Mary's Episcopal Church, outside West Jefferson. (336) 982-3076.  
Ballet Blue Ridge. Summer repertory ballet. (828) 295-4724.  
Ashe County Cheese Co. Landmark attraction. (336) 246-2501.  
Asheville Community Theatre. (828) 254-1320.  
Asheville Symphony. (828) 254-7046.  
Biltmore Estate, near Asheville. Magnificent estate built for George W. Vanderbilt in 1895, with 250-room mansion, 8,000-acre grounds, vineyard and winery. (800) 543-2961. [www.biltmore.com](http://www.biltmore.com)  
Biltmore Village, Asheville. Unique shopping, restaurants and art galleries in historic buildings next to Biltmore Estate. (828) 274-8788.  
Blowing Rock Stage Company. The professional theatre of the High Country June-August at Blowing Rock Elementary School Auditorium. (828) 295-9627. [www.blowingrockstage.com](http://www.blowingrockstage.com)  
Brushy Mountain Apple Festival. First Saturday in October. (336) 667-3322. [www.applefestival.net](http://www.applefestival.net)  
Caldwell Historical Museum, Lenoir. (828) 758-4004/(828) 758-1496.  
Folk Art Center, near Asheville. Work of Southern Highlands Handicraft Guild. (828) 298-7928.  
Fort Defiance. Home of Gen William Lenoir family on site of a late 18th century fort. Yadkin Valley. (828) 726-0616.  
Furniture Shopping. 37 dealers in 20 miles on U.S. 321 in Caldwell County. (800) 737-0782.  
Goodwin Guild Weavers, U.S. 321 Bypass. (828) 295-3394.  
Grove Park Inn. Historic grand hotel. Asheville. (800) 438-5800. [www.grovetparkinn.com](http://www.grovetparkinn.com)  
Health Adventure. Children's museum, Asheville. (828) 254-6373. [www.health-adventure.com](http://www.health-adventure.com)  
Hickory Ridge Homestead. 18th Century living history museum, next to "Horn in the West," Boone. (828) 264-2120.  
Historic Wilkesboro. (336) 667-3712 [www.wilkesboro.com/wwt0.htm](http://www.wilkesboro.com/wwt0.htm)  
Old Wilkes Jail. 1860 jail once held Tom Dooley. Wilkesboro. Walking tour. (336) 667-3712. [www.wilkesboro.com/wwt0.htm](http://www.wilkesboro.com/wwt0.htm)  
Homespun Shops, Asheville. Shops and weaving museum adjoins Grove Park Inn. (828) 253-7651.  
"Horn in the West," Boone. Outdoor drama about the Daniel Boone period. (828) 264-2120.  
Mangum Pottery, Sparta. (336) 372-5291.  
Mast General Store, Valle Crucis. A legend since 1883. (828) 963-6511.  
Merle Watson Festival. [www.merlefest.org](http://www.merlefest.org)  
Mountain Dance and Folk Festival, Asheville. Diana Wortham Theatre, oldest festival of its kind in nation. (828) 258-6107.  
Museum of North Carolina Minerals. Part of Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center. Parkway Craft Center, Blue Ridge Parkway. Sales outlet for Southern Highlands Handicraft Guild. (828) 295-7938.  
Pack Place, Asheville. New arts and science center with art museum, Colburn Mineral Museum. (828) 257-4500.  
Patterson School. Historic boarding school and 1,400-acre grounds including Chapel of Rest, historic church and cemetery. Caldwell County. (828) 758-2374.  
Penland School, near Spruce Pine. Crafts school since 1929. Gallery and tours (828) 765-6211.  
Pinebridge Center, Spruce Pine. Indoor facility, one of largest ice skating rinks in Southeast, hockey games. (828) 765-7463. (828) 765-2761.  
Pinebridge Inn (Old Harris School), Spruce Pine. Built in 1920s. (800) 356-5059.  
Shindig on the Green, City/County Plaza, downtown Asheville. Appalachian music outdoor summer concerts. (828) 258-6107.  
Singing on the Mountain, Grandfather Mountain. Outdoor gospel concert since 1930. (828) 733-4337.  
Smith-McDowell House Museum of Western North Carolina History, Asheville. Restored house, oldest in Asheville. (828) 253-9231.  
Summer Music, Blowing Rock. Chamber Music Festival. (828) 295-3505.  
Thomas Wolfe Memorial, Asheville. State Historic Site, boyhood home of the writer. (828) 253-8304. [www.home.att.net/~WolfeMemorial](http://www.home.att.net/~WolfeMemorial)  
Western North Carolina Farmers Market, Asheville. (828) 253-1691.  
John A. Walker Center, Wilkesboro. Performing Arts Center. [http://204.84.96.72/wcc/walker\\_center/walker\\_center.htm](http://204.84.96.72/wcc/walker_center/walker_center.htm)  
Whippoorwill Academy and Village. Ferguson. Historic schoolhouse, Tom Dula Museum, Daniel Boone cabin replica, Matt's General Store, the Smokehouse Gallery, Chapel of Peace, and others. (336) 973-3237. [www.wilkesnc.org/tourism/Tour/whippoorwill.htm](http://www.wilkesnc.org/tourism/Tour/whippoorwill.htm)  
Wilkes Playmakers, North Wilkesboro. In Benton Hall, local amateur theatre group. (336) 838-PLAY. <http://carolinacorner.com/WilkesPlaymakers.htm>  
Wilkes County Art Gallery, Wilkesboro. (336) 667-2841. [www.northwilkesboro.com/wilkart.htm](http://www.northwilkesboro.com/wilkart.htm)  
YMI Cultural Center, Asheville. Offers cultural programs and exhibits by African American artists.  
Zebulon B. Vance Homestead, near Weaverville. State Historic Site, reconstructed home of Civil War-era statesman. (828) 645-6706.





## Travel Information

Alleghany County Chamber. (800) 372-5473. [www.sparta-nc.com](http://www.sparta-nc.com).  
 Ashe County. (336) 246-9550. [www.ashechamber.com](http://www.ashechamber.com)  
 Asheville Convention and Visitors Bureau. (800) 257-1300. [www.exploreasheville.com](http://www.exploreasheville.com)  
 Avery/Banner Elk. (800) 972-2183.  
 Beech Mountain Chamber of Commerce. (800) 468-5506. [www.beechmtn.com](http://www.beechmtn.com)  
 Black Mountain. (828) 669-2300. [www.blackmountain.org](http://www.blackmountain.org)  
 Blowing Rock. (828) 295-7851. [www.blowingrock.com](http://www.blowingrock.com)  
 Blue Ridge Parkway. National Park scenic highway. (828) 271-4779.  
 Boone Convention & Visitors Bureau. (800) 852-9506.  
 Caldwell County. (828) 726-0616.  
 Glendale Springs. <http://glendale-springs.com>  
 Madison County. (828) 689-9351.  
 Mitchell County, Spruce Pine. (828) 765-9483/(800) 227-3912. [www.mitchell.county.com/north-carolina](http://www.mitchell.county.com/north-carolina)  
 Mountain Information Centers, Asheville. (828) 258-4662.  
 High Country Host. Travel and accommodations information. (800) 438-7500.  
 N.C. Welcome Center. (I-40 West). (828) 627-6206.  
 Wilkes County. (336) 838-8662. [www.wilkesnc.org](http://www.wilkesnc.org)  
 Wilkesboro. [www.wilkesboronc.com](http://www.wilkesboronc.com)  
 North Wilkesboro. (336) 667-7129. [www.north-wilkesboro.com](http://www.north-wilkesboro.com)  
 Yancey County, Burnsville. (828) 682-7413.

## Electric Cooperatives

Blue Ridge EMC (Lenoir, Boone, West Jefferson, Sparta). (828) 758-2383.  
 French Broad EMC (Marshall, Burnsville, Bakersville). (828) 649-2051.

## Culture and Recreation

Appalachian Ski Mountain, Blowing Rock. Ski resort. (800) 322-2373.  
 Asheville Smoke Hockey. United League. (828) 252-PUCK.  
 Asheville Tourists. Class A baseball. (828) 258-0428.  
 Asheville Walking Tour. (828) 254-2343.  
 Blue Ridge Parkway. [www.nps.gov/blri/ncmap.htm](http://www.nps.gov/blri/ncmap.htm) and [www.blueridgeparkway.org](http://www.blueridgeparkway.org)  
 The Blowing Rock, off U.S. 321. Viewing area and gift shop. (828) 295-7111. [www.blowingrock.com](http://www.blowingrock.com)  
 Blowing Rock Charity Horse Show. One of the oldest outdoor shows in the country.  
 Cataloochee Ski Area, Maggie Valley. (800) 768-0285. [www.cataloochee.com](http://www.cataloochee.com)  
 Chimney Rock Park. Hiking trails, waterfall, views from atop Chimney Rock. (800) 277-9611. [www.chimneyrockpark.com](http://www.chimneyrockpark.com)  
 Craggy Gardens, off Blue Ridge Parkway. Trails with views. (828) 298-0398.  
 Cumberland Knob. 1,000 acres, 2,740 feet high. Upper Alleghany County on the parkway.  
 Daniel Boone Native Gardens, Boone. Native plants. (828) 264-6390.  
 Doughton Park. 7,000 acres, trails, 3,700 feet up. Near Sparta.  
 Garden of the Senses. Especially nice for the sense-impaired. At Wilkes Community College. (336) 838-6100. [http://204.84.96.72/WCC/general\\_information/gardens.htm](http://204.84.96.72/WCC/general_information/gardens.htm)  
 Glen Burney Trail, Blowing Rock. 1.5-mile hiking trail. (828) 295-7851.  
 Grandfather Mountain, near Linville. Park with visitor center, trails, overlooks. (800) 468-7325. [www.grandfather.com](http://www.grandfather.com)  
 Great Smokey Mountains Railway. Scenic rides. (800) 872-4681.  
 Julian Price Park. Blue Ridge Parkway, MP 297, includes Price Lake, campground, hiking, picnic area.  
 Linville Caverns, between Linville and Marion. Massive limestone caves. (828) 756-4171.  
 Linville Gorge. Wilderness area in Pisgah National Forest. (828) 652-2144.  
 Moses Cone Estate Park. Blue Ridge Parkway at Blowing Rock, MP 292, includes Parkway Craft Center. (828) 295-7938.  
 Martin Luther King Jr. Park, Asheville. (828) 252-4614  
 Mt. Jefferson State Park. (336) 246-9653.  
 Mt. Mitchell State Park, Yancey County. Highest peak in the East. (828) 675-4611.  
 Mystery Hill, U.S. 221/321. Amusement house, Appalachian Heritage Museum, N.C. Military Museum. (828) 264-2792.  
 New River State Park. Ashe County. (336) 982-2587.  
 The Orchard at Altapass. Working orchard along Blue Ridge Parkway (MP 328.3). (828) 765-9531  
 Pisgah National Forest. (828) 877-3265.  
 Rendezvous State Forest. Talking tree trail. Western Wilkes County. (336) 667-5072.  
 Scenic Byway, Wilkesboro. Historic sites, scenic drive. (336) 838-8662.  
 Ski Beech. Beech Mountain. State's largest ski resort. (828) 387-2011.  
 Ski Hawksnest, Seven Devils. 9-slope ski mountain. (828) 963-6561.  
 Southern Safari. Luxury camping and guided trips. (800) 454-7374.  
 Stone Mountain State Park. Northeast Wilkes County. (336) 957-8185. [www.ils.unc.edu/parkproject/stmo.html](http://www.ils.unc.edu/parkproject/stmo.html)  
 Sugar Mountain Resort, Banner Elk. 18-slope ski mountain. (828) 898-4521.  
 Tweetsie Railroad, U.S. 221/321. Amusement park and frontier village with narrow-gauge railroad. (800) 526-5740. [www.tweetsie-railroad.com](http://www.tweetsie-railroad.com)  
 University Botanical Gardens, Asheville. (828) 252-5190.  
 W. Kerr Scott Dam & Reservoir. Wilkes County. Swimming, boating, hiking, fishing, caping and more. (336) 921-3390. [www.gorp.com/gorp/resource/us\\_nra/ace/nc\\_wkerr.htm](http://www.gorp.com/gorp/resource/us_nra/ace/nc_wkerr.htm)  
 Western North Carolina Nature Center, Asheville. Animals and plants in natural habitat. (828) 298-5600.  
 Wolf Laurel, near Mars Hill. Ski mountain. (828) 689-4111. [www.skiwolflaurel.com](http://www.skiwolflaurel.com)



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## Travel Information

Andrews. (828) 321-3584.  
 Brevard-Transylvania Chamber of Commerce. (828) 883-3700.  
 Brevard/ Transylvania County Tourism. (800) 648-4523.  
[www.visitwaterfalls.com](http://www.visitwaterfalls.com)  
 Canton Papertown Association. (877) 648-3878. [www.cantonpapertown.com](http://www.cantonpapertown.com)  
 Cashiers Area. (828) 743-5191.  
 Cherokee Chamber of Commerce. (800) 438-1601 / (828) 497-9195.  
 Cherokee County. (828) 837-2242.  
[www.cherokeecountychamber.com](http://www.cherokeecountychamber.com)  
 Cherokee Indian Reservation. (800) 438-1601.  
 Clay County. (828) 389-3704.  
 Dillsboro Merchants Assn. (828) 586-6542.  
 Franklin Area. (800) 336-7829.  
 Graham County. (828) 479-3790.  
 Haywood County. (828) 456-3021.  
[www.haywood-nc.com](http://www.haywood-nc.com)  
 Greater Hendersonville. (828) 692-1413.  
 Henderson County Travel & Tourism. (800) 828-4244.  
[www.historichendersonville.com](http://www.historichendersonville.com)  
 Highlands. (828) 526-2112.  
 Jackson County Travel & Tourism. (800) 962-1911 / (828) 586-2155.  
[www.mountainlovers.com](http://www.mountainlovers.com)  
 Maggie Valley Area Convention & Visitors Bureau. (800) 785-8259 / (828) 926-1686.  
[www.maggiervalley.com](http://www.maggiervalley.com)  
 Maggie Valley/ Waynesville. (800) 334-9036. [www.smokeymountains.net](http://www.smokeymountains.net)  
 Swain County. (800) 867-9246 / (828) 488-3681.

## Parks and Recreation

Carolina Nights Dinner Show, Maggie Valley. (888) 622-7469.  
 Cataloochee Ski Area. Ten slopes. (800) 768-0285.  
 Cradle of Forestry, Brevard, Pisgah National Forest. Home of America's first forestry conservation program, with museum and trails. (828) 877-3130. [www.cradleofforestry.com](http://www.cradleofforestry.com)  
 Dupont State Forest. 7600 acres in Henderson and Transylvania counties. (828) 251-6509.  
[www.main.nc.us/eco/dsf/index.html](http://www.main.nc.us/eco/dsf/index.html)  
 Field of the Wood Scenic Bible Park. (828) 494-7855.  
 Fish and Game Management. (828) 497-5201.  
 Ghost Town in the Sky, Maggie Valley. Theme park recreates Old West town. (828) 926-1140.  
 Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Half-million acres along Tennessee border. N.C. entrance at Cherokee. Three visitor centers. Gatlinburg phone: (615) 436-1200.  
 Great Smoky Mountain Railroad. Scenic mountain excursions. Dillsboro. (800) 872-4681.  
[www.gsmr.com](http://www.gsmr.com)  
 Highlands Nature Center. Flora, fauna and artifacts of the Nantahala region. (828) 526-2623.  
 Holmes State Forest, southwest of Hendersonville. Picnic areas, trails, camping. (828) 692-0100.  
 Horseback Riding in Jackson County and the Great Smokies National Park. Smokemont Stables (828) 497-2373. Arrowmont Stables (800) 682-1092.  
 Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest. Untouched virgin forest with areas of trails. (828) 479-6431.  
 Jump Off Rock, Hendersonville. Overlook at end of Laurel Park Highway. (800) 828-4244.  
 Mountain Skate Center. Waynesville. (828) 456-4441.  
 Nantahala Gorge. For whitewater excursions: Carolina Outfitters (800) GOT-RAFT, Nantahala Outdoors (800) 232-7238, Nantahala Rafts (800) 245-4811, Rolling Thunder River (800) 344-5838, Wildwater (800) 451-9972.  
 Nantahala National Forest. 1.36 million acres, established 1911. (828) 526-3765.  
 Pisgah National Forest. Trails, picnic and camping areas in 6,400-acre forest. (828) 877-3265.  
 Ruby City Gems & Minerals, Franklin. Lapidary shop and supplier. (828) 524-3967.  
 Santa's Land Zoo and Theme Park, Cherokee. (828) 497-9191.  
 Soco Gardens Zoo, Maggie Valley. (828) 926-1746.  
 Ski Scaly. South of Highlands. (800) 342-1387.  
 Tuckasegee River. For whitewater excursions with children. Blue Ridge Outing Company (800) 572-3510. Tuckasegee Outfitters (800) 539-5683. Carolina Mountains Outdoor Center (828) 586-5285.  
 Wind Dancers Lodging and llama treks. (828) 627-6986. [www.winddancersnc.com](http://www.winddancersnc.com)



## A View From Here

*This photo of Bear Lake and Nantahala Forest show an average morning from our window. It does make it a little hard to leave and go to work.*

Keith Brown  
Tuckasegee  
Haywood EMC



## Historic and Cultural

Balsam Mountain Inn. Historic 1905 inn. (800) 224-9498.  
Brevard Music Center. (828) 884-2011. [www.brevardmusic.org](http://www.brevardmusic.org)  
Canton Historical Museum. (828) 646-3412.  
Carl Sandburg Home, Flat Rock. National Historic Site on 240-acre farm. (828) 693-4178. [www.nps.gov/carl](http://www.nps.gov/carl)  
Cherokee County Historical Museum. (828) 837-6792.  
Flat Rock Playhouse Theatre. The State Theatre of North Carolina is considered one of the ten best seasonal theaters in the country. (828) 693-0731. [www.flatrockplayhouse.org](http://www.flatrockplayhouse.org)  
Folkmoor USA, Waynesville. International folk music festival. (877)-FOLKUSA. [www.folkmoor.com](http://www.folkmoor.com)  
Fontana Village. Resort built from workers village during 1941 dam construction. (800) 849-2258.  
Franklin Gem and Mineral Museum. (828) 369-7831.  
Haywood Arts Repertory Theatre. (828) 456-6322.  
Henderson County Farmers Mutual Curb Market, Hendersonville. (828) 692-8012.  
High Hampton Inn. Historic inn, Cashiers. (800) 334-2551.  
Highlands Playhouse. Summer theater. (828) 526-2695.  
Historic Canton. (828) 648-7925.  
Historic Downtown Hendersonville. Entered in the National Register of Historic Places in 1988. (828) 697-2022. [www.JKcrea.com/DHI.html](http://www.JKcrea.com/DHI.html)  
Historic Village of Flat Rock. (800) 828-4244. [www.historicflatrock.org](http://www.historicflatrock.org)  
Historic Hendersonville Depot. (828) 693-0605.  
Historic Johnson Farm, Hendersonville. Late 19th century farm and tourist retreat. (828) 891-6585. [www.johnsonfarm.org](http://www.johnsonfarm.org)  
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MACO Crafts, Inc., Franklin. Largest craft cooperative in the Appalachian Mountains. (828) 524-7878.

Macon County Art Association. (828) 524-9647.  
Macon County Historical Society. In the historic Pendergrass building, Franklin. (828) 524-9758.  
Maggie Valley Opry House. Bluegrass, Raymond Fairchild. (828) 926-9336.  
Mineral & Lapidary Museum of Henderson County. (828) 698-1977. [www.minmuseum.org](http://www.minmuseum.org)  
Mountain Heritage Center. At Western Carolina University, Cullowhee. (828) 227-7129.  
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St. John in the Wilderness Church, Flat Rock. (828) 693-9783.  
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"Unto These Hills," Cherokee. Outdoor drama of Cherokee Nation. (828) 497-2111.  
Western Carolina University. [www.wcu.edu](http://www.wcu.edu)  
Western North Carolina Air Museum, Hendersonville. (800) 828-4244. [www.wncairmuseum.com](http://www.wncairmuseum.com)  
Wolfe's Angel, Hendersonville. Mentioned in Thomas Wolfe novel, "Look Homeward, Angel." Highway 64 West just out of downtown. (800) 828-4244.

## Electric Cooperatives

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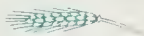


# 4-H is North Carolina's Foundation For The Future

*Volunteers are essential to the success of North Carolina's 4-H program. Each year more than 25,000 adults invest their time and energy to provide quality experiences for the 200,000 young people involved in projects ranging from electric to woodworking and first aid.*



*Some volunteers serve on advisory boards, some serve as judges for events, some participate as club leaders and others attend camp. Volunteer jobs are varied and can be tailored to meet most anyone's schedule. These volunteers come from all walks of life and from all parts of the state. Volunteers may be involved directly with young people or they may prefer to help manage other volunteers or plan events and activities.*



*It's easy to get involved in the North Carolina 4-H program. Contact the 4-H agent at your county cooperative extension center or visit the 4-H web site at [www.ces.ncsu/depts/fourh](http://www.ces.ncsu/depts/fourh) to learn more about being involved in this exciting youth organization.*

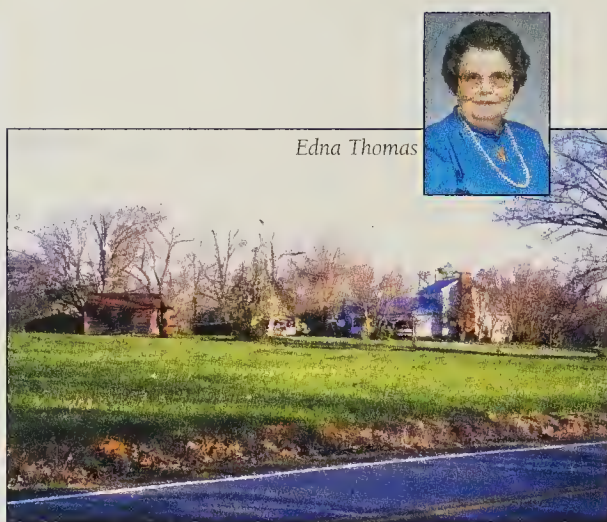




# The View From Here

Wherever you travel in rural North Carolina, you're bound to see a view that impresses you one way or another. Distant hills, a well-tended field, an old barn, ducks and geese winging by, an expanse of wetlands and water, a well-worn road. Many of you sent descriptions and pictures of "the view from here." Among those selected by the judges are those we placed on our Touring Guide pages this month. These pages show a few more. We'll hold on to some that we can't fit onto the pages in case space opens up later in the year.

Next month we'll publish your account of "The finest way to earn a living in the country." [Deadline was April 15.] For the remaining themes of our "Nothing Could Be Finer" series, see page 43.



Edna Thomas

## She whistles back to me

As I look out my window, I see a tattered 200-year-old farmhouse. An 80-year-old widow lives there.

This house is full of precious memories of a generous, hard-working man and woman who raised chickens, crop farmed and sacrificed much to raise four children. Memories of a man who stopped his tractor in the field to take his daughter to piano lessons 40 years ago, and a woman who sold butter and milk to pay for the lessons. Memories of a compassionate, Christian man and woman who always took their four children to church.

She sang hymns to her growing children and often quoted her favorite scripture verse to them, which was "Be ye kind to one another." Her daily illustrations of love taught them to place God first, to love, to share, to be patient, and to be kind.

She still has a heart of gold and is known for her chicken and dumplings that she makes for the sick or for a family whose loved one has died. Her homemade dried apple pies are a favorite of all who know her.

When I hear the screen door slam and I see this lady, an avid gardener, slowly make her way to her garden, I whistle. She whistles back to assure me that she heard me and that she is okay. Her health is failing some now, and her children assist her with her day-to-day activities. Her steadfast faith in God and opti-

mistic attitude will carry her through these unpredictable times also.

I know this lady very well and I am a much stronger person by following her lifelong example. She is my mother, Edna Thomas.

Kay T. Strawn  
Marshville  
Union Power Cooperative

## Sometimes they hold hands

One afternoon I sat looking out of my living room window watching the children playing. They were jumping up and down on the trampoline. Oh such fun they were having, laughing and jumping. Sometimes they would hold hands. As one after the other went up in the air my eyes followed them to the sky. There were many clouds with different shapes. But one cloud seemed to look as if it was in the shape of an angel, and it seemed to hang near where the children were playing. Tears came to my eyes as I said, "Thank you, God, for sending an angel to watch over the children as they play"



Doris Wall  
Rockingham  
Pee Dee EMC

## Table Rock

Each day I can look from my window up to Table Rock.

Karen Wilson  
Morganton  
Rutherford EMC







## Minnesott Beach triptych

The view from my front window is of the beautiful Neuse River at Minnesott Beach in Pamlico County. Across the river, to the right, is the Cherry Point Marine Air Station. Just out of sight to the left is the Minnesott-Cherry Branch ferry. The river is about three miles wide here.

The beach itself is just below the grass of my neighbor's yard – not as wide as it used to be, but still with plenty of sand for my grandson to play in and for us to peruse for sharks' teeth and bits of Indian pottery.

My father-in-law chose to build here in 1963, for the shady oaks and gently sloping beach, with calm water where my children could learn to swim. We caught lots of fish for dinner – croaker spot, puppy drum – and had fun crabbing on the little piers. "Paw-Paw" would sit outdoors by a wood fire all afternoon making crab stew in a big iron pot. On summer nights there were often lanterns bobbing along the water's edge, as people went flounder-gigging.

I painted this triptych, called "My Windows," last June and exhibited it at the Estuarium Museum in Washington last November.

Janet Adkins  
Arapahoe  
Tideland EMC

## Waiting for the tow truck

One morning at sunrise I was waiting for a towing service to pick up my car. I went for the camera, and this is the result. Incidentally, this is the only morning I have been awake at this hour.

Mary Efird  
Matthews  
Union Power  
Cooperative



## Pamlico Sound

Our home is on Hatteras Island at the foot of a small cove leading out to Pamlico Sound. The early morning light often fuses the sound and the sky into a vast vapor, completely obliterating the horizon. At sunset, the last rays of the sun ignite the evening sky in a blaze of orange and red, lingering long after the sun has melted into the water in pastels of pink and charcoal.

In the warmer months, the sound bustles with windsurfers, kayakers and fishermen. In the cooler, winter months, the tourists have gone, and the wildlife returns in the form of otters, great blue herons, coots, cormorants, loons, geese and all manner of ducks.

Sometimes, our front-row seat affords us an uncomfortably close view of a menacing storm as it rumbles towards us from across the sound. At nighttime, the backdrop of the black water and sky punctuated by countless twinkling stars produces a more reassuring panorama.

Fred and Elizabeth Johnson  
Avon  
Cape Hatteras Electric



## Dysartsville field

This picture of the field and barn is the view from my kitchen window. This view is breath-taking late in the afternoon as the sun is setting. Our property here in the community of Dysartsville adjoins the property of my husband's father, who tells us, "You have the best views."

Rebekah Woody  
Nebo  
Rutherford EMC

## Send us your best. Earn \$50.

Here are the themes in our "Nothing Could Be Finer" series. Send us your stories and pictures. You don't have to be the best writer. Just tell it from your heart.

### The Rules

1. Approximately 200 words or less.
2. Only one entry per household per month.
3. E-mail or typed, if possible. Otherwise, make it legible.
4. Include your name, electric co-op, mailing address and phone number.
5. If you want your entry returned, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. (We will not return others.)
6. We pay \$50 for each submission published.
7. We will post on our Web site more entries than we publish, but can't pay for those submissions. (Let us know if you don't agree to this.)
8. Send to Nothing Finer, Carolina Country, 3400 Sumner Blvd., Raleigh, NC 27616. Or by e-mail: [carolina.country@ncemcs.com](mailto:carolina.country@ncemcs.com). Or through the Web site: [www.carolinacountry.com](http://www.carolinacountry.com).

### July 2001

"The Finest Drive in North Carolina"  
Where is it, what's there?  
Send pictures.  
Deadline: May 15

### October 2001

"The Finest Restaurant in North Carolina"  
Whose is it, and why is it so good?  
Deadline: Aug. 15

### August 2001

"The Finest Thing a Teacher Told Me"  
Why did it make a difference?  
Deadline: June 15

### November 2001

"The Best Thing That Ever Happened to North Carolina"  
Long ago or recently?  
Deadline: Sept. 15

### September 2001

"The Finest Photo in North Carolina"  
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People, places.  
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### December 2001

"The Finest Person in My Life"  
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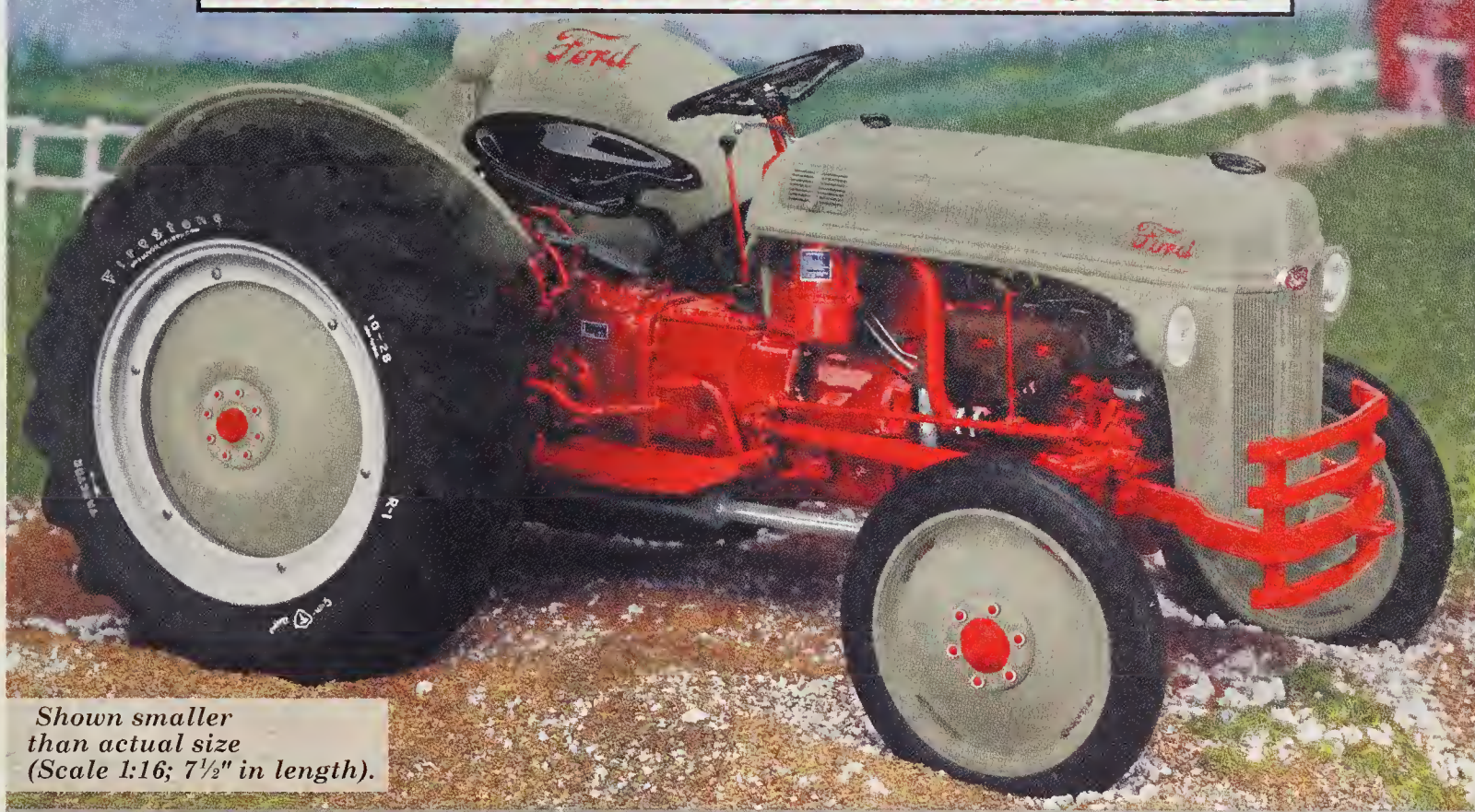


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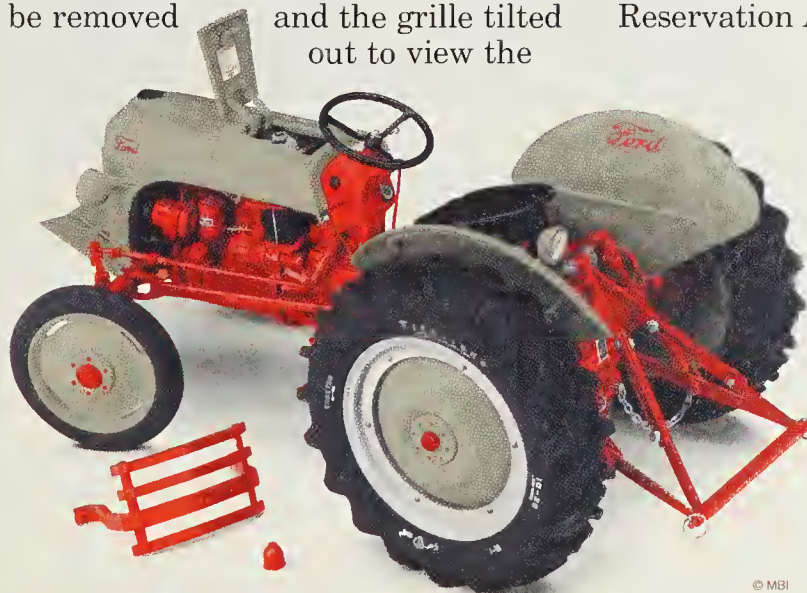
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The new Carolina Country Store is our way of showcasing and supporting the growing economy of the North Carolina countryside. We are open 24 hours a day, every day, at [www.carolinacountry.com](http://www.carolinacountry.com). Next time you're in the Web neighborhood, stop in at The Carolina Country Store. Send your comments or suggestions to the storekeeper at [Carolina.country@ncemcs.com](mailto:Carolina.country@ncemcs.com).

Here is a sampling from the "Travel Department."

## Travel

### Plan your visit to Orange County



Visiting Orange County just got easier. The Chapel Hill/ Orange County Visitors Bureau has introduced a new function on its Web site,

which allows visitors to create a personal itinerary. You can choose from nine sections: Accommodations, Attractions, Arts/Entertainment, Sports/Recreation, Shopping, Dining, Nightlife and Guided Tours. It's called 'Plan Your Visit' and has a separate navigation button with full instructions. Visit [www.chocvb.org](http://www.chocvb.org) and click on the 'Plan Your Visit' Button.

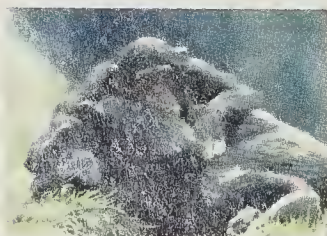
### Spend a day at the farm



The McCoy Dairy  
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For seven generations the McCoy family has been farming and passing their land down to the next generation. Once a milk supplier to nearby Maola Dairy, the McCoy family has reinvented themselves and protected the family farm for yet another generation. Today that farm, located off of US Highway 70 between Kinston and New Bern, offers hands-on experience at a real dairy farm. Take a hay ride, explore the old barn, kitchen and wash house, have a picnic, feed the animals, and more. For information and reservations, call (877) 514-1251 or visit [www.adayatthefarm.com](http://www.adayatthefarm.com). Advanced notice of your visit is requested.

### Spend a weekend in "Africa" without having to leave the state



An African Festival is scheduled for the North Carolina Zoological Park every weekend in May. The festival celebrates the reopening of the renovated Africa Plaza and a new 440-foot long pedestrian bridge that connects the plaza to the parking lot. The Weekend of the Giraffe will be held May 5-6; the Weekend of the Birds, May 12-13; the Weekend of the Elephant, May 19-20; and Weekend of the Chimpanzee, May 26-27. After two years of renovations, the new chimpanzee habitat will open

Memorial Day Weekend. The North Carolina Zoo is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$8 for adults, and \$5 for children (2-12) and seniors (62+). For more information visit the zoo's Web site at [www.NCZOO.org](http://www.NCZOO.org) or call (336) 879-7200.

### Are we there yet?



Roundabout Publications' new book, "Rest Areas & Welcome Centers," helps you locate services along interstate highways across the U.S. Not only are rest areas and welcome centers listed, but also roadside turnouts, scenic vistas, runaway truck ramps, discount stores like Wal-Mart, amenities like restrooms, phones, vending machines, picnic tables and more. You can order your copy for just the cost of shipping until August 31, 2001. The 80-page book costs only \$3.95 to ship. To receive your free copy, send your name, address and \$3.95 to Roundabout Publications, Free Travel Guide, PO Box 19235, Lenexa, KS 66285. To see a sample page or to order online, visit their Web site at [www.TravelBooksUSA.com](http://www.TravelBooksUSA.com).

### Happy paddling



After extensive canoeing and backpacking in the mountains of North Carolina, Syd Howell decided to open a store dedicated to the outdoors. With a passion for the outdoors and a desire to see others enjoy North Carolina's beautiful natural areas, Outdoors, Etc. opened in 1988. The free-standing store, just outside of Cornelius, is an account served by EnergyUnited electric cooperative. You can buy just about anything you need to enjoy the outdoors, from hiking and backpacking gear to watercraft. And if you're not sure about buying, they have plenty of rental gear. Twice a year they sponsor free paddling days where people can try out paddle craft on Lake Norman. Inexperienced? No problem, the store has just begun to offer guided kayaking trips on area lakes and waterways. Located on Hwy. 21 in Cornelius or call (704) 892-1848.



# North Carolina

## See the Uwharries by horseback



There's a new way to explore the Uwharrie Mountains. The first guided trail ride outfitter in the Uwharries is now offering horse trail adventures. Call Billy Smith at (910) 439-5459 or email him at [end@etinternet.net](mailto:end@etinternet.net). Happy trails.

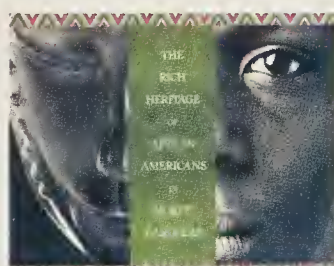
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## Explore North Carolina's rich African-American history



Published for the first time this year by the North Carolina Division of Tourism, Film and Sports Development, "The Rich Heritage of African Americans in North Carolina," serves as a guide to our state's rich African-American history. In addition to

telling the history of African Americans and their contributions to the state, the book also lists historic and cultural sites of interest, events, festivals and museums. To order your free guide, visit [www.visitnc.com](http://www.visitnc.com) or call (800) VISIT NC.

## Go on a Health Adventure

The Health Adventure, a non-profit, health and sciences education center located in Asheville, was founded in 1968. One of the first health education centers of its kind in the country, the Health Adventure features hands-on, interactive exhibits dedicated to improving the health and science literacy of children and adults. Visit their Web site at [www.health-adventure.com](http://www.health-adventure.com) or call (800) 935-0204.

## "Kuralt at White's Creek"



As a tribute to the memory of his good friend Charles Kuralt and the fond affection they had for their alma

mater, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Bob Timberlake has created a special reproduction entitled, "Kuralt at White's Creek." Orders for this edition will be accepted until June 16, 2001 and will benefit the Medical Programs of the North Carolina Children's Hospital and the Educational Foundation at the University of North Carolina. The image area of "Kuralt at White's Creek" measures 11 inches by 30 inches on paper measuring 16 1/4 inches by 34 1/2 inches. The reproduction will cost \$250 unframed. Framing is available at an additional charge. Call (888) 307-7868 to order or order online at [www.riverwoodhall.com](http://www.riverwoodhall.com).

## The Official North Carolina Golf Guide



Plan a golf vacation with the help of The Official 2001 Golf Guide available from the North Carolina Division of Tourism, Film and Sports Development. Packed with information about golf courses from the mountains to the coast, this guide is a necessity for those obsessed by the game. Explore the 42 golf courses within the Village of Pinehurst/Southern Pines/Aberdeen

area, recently rated the third best golf location in the world by Golf Digest. People used to travel 17 hours by train and sleep in army barracks just to play there. With this guide, you'll definitely find better sleeping arrangements. Visit [www.visitnc.com](http://www.visitnc.com) or call (800) VISIT NC.

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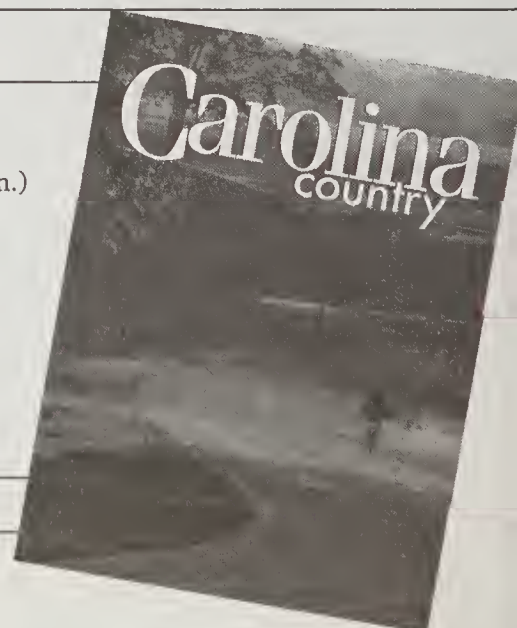
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WNC Farmers Market,  
(828) 253-1691

### **Olde Tyme Music Festival**

May 5, Hendersonville  
(828) 697-2022,  
[www.historichendersonville.com](http://www.historichendersonville.com)

### **Fry Street Quartet**

May 5, 11, 18, Hickory  
String quartet concerts,  
(828) 324-8603,  
[www.wpsymphony.org](http://www.wpsymphony.org)

### **Guided Bird Walk**

May 5, Linville  
Grandfather Mountain,  
(828) 733-2013,  
[www.grandfather.com](http://www.grandfather.com)

### **Forest & Family Festival 2001**

May 5, Boone  
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### **Photography Workshop**

May 6, Brevard  
Cradle of Forestry,  
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May 6, Cullowhee  
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### **Flatrock Music Festival**

May 11-13, Flat Rock  
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May 12, Canton  
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May 19-20, Lincolnton  
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### **Mopars at McDowell**

May 19, Marion  
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### **"Games People Play"**

Through May 19, West Jefferson  
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### **Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Raffle**

May 22, Hickory  
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### **Ole Time Fiddler's & Bluegrass Festival**

May 25-27, Union Grove  
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### **"Brain Teasers"**

Through May 5, Oxford  
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(919) 693-9706, [www.oxford-nc.org/museum.html](http://www.oxford-nc.org/museum.html)

### **Brookhill Steeplechase**

May 5, Clayton  
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## Sheep Shearing Day

May 5, Pinnacle  
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## Haw River Festival Finale

May 12, Bynum  
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May 7, 21, Mocksville  
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May 10-13, Denton  
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## David Holt

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## Mayfest

May 11-12, Pilot Mountain  
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## Sandhills Classic Street Rod Association Benefit Car Show

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## Old-Time Fiddlers' & Bluegrass Convention

May 12, Mocksville  
Clement Grove Picnic Grounds  
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## Alamance/Burlington Senior Games

Through May 15, Burlington  
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## "Carolina Connection" with the Loonis McGlohon Trio

May 17, Winston-Salem  
Stevens Center,  
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## Blue Ridge and Beyond

May 17-19, Mount Airy  
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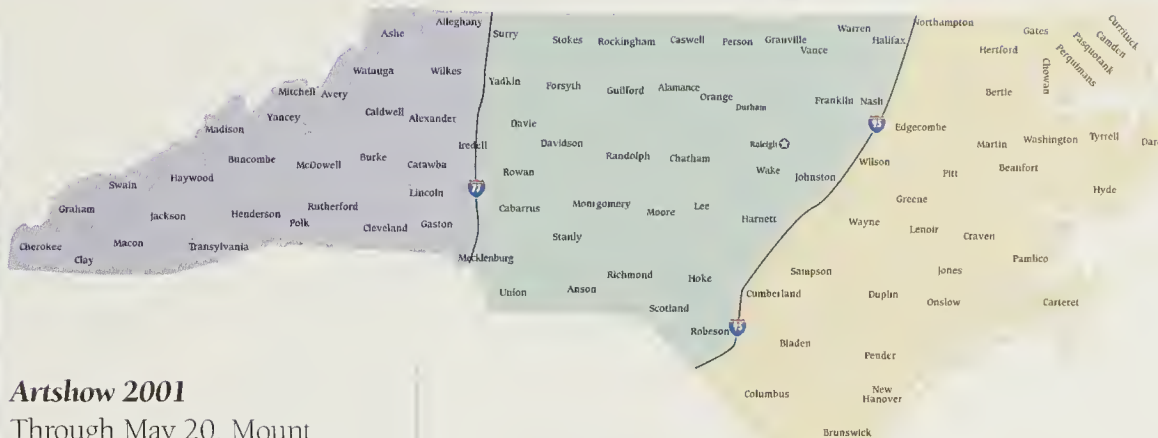
## Festival of Spring Gardens

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## Sample the Arts Festival

May 26, Gold Hill

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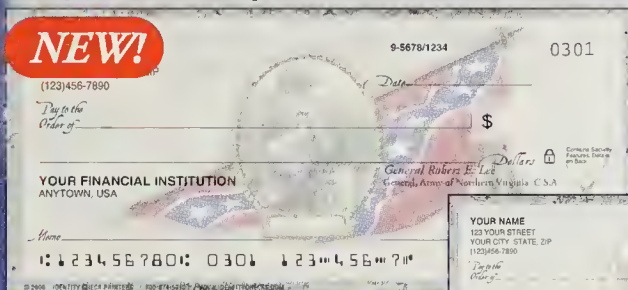
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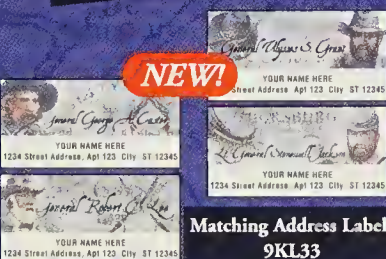
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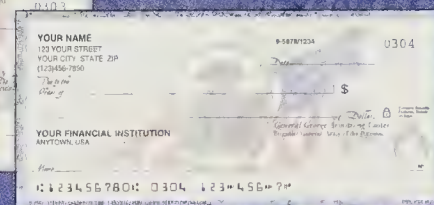
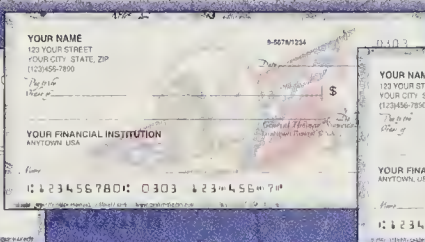
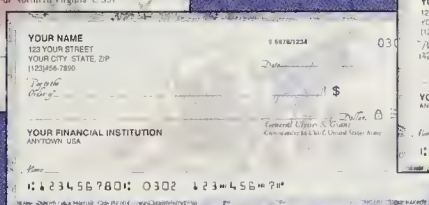
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## **100th Anniversary Salute to Ansel Adams**

Through August 12, Charlotte  
First part of two part exhibit,  
Mint Museum of Art,  
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## **COAST** (East of I-95)

### **Greenville-Pitt County Senior Games**

Through May 3, Greenville  
Competition for citizens 55+,  
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May 4-6, Goldsboro  
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May 5, Minnesott  
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### **Wooden Boat Show**

May 5, Beaufort  
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### **Open House Historic District**

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### **Cape Hatteras Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting**

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### **Harkers Island EMC**

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### **Blackbeard's Film Festival**

May 11, Beaufort  
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### **Macclesfield Centennial Celebration**

May 11-12, Macclesfield  
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### **Harbor Sounds**

May 11th, Oriental  
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### **Beach Blast 2001**

May 12, Albemarle  
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### **March of Dimes Walk**

May 12, Morehead City  
Jaycee Park, (910) 452-1515

### **Coin, Stamp and Collectible Show**

May 12-13, Morehead City  
Crystal Coast Civic Center,  
(252) 728-1627

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May 18, Washington  
Beaufort County Community  
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May 18-19, Morehead City  
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May 19- June 23, Ocracoke  
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Preservation Society Museum,  
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### **Pamlico Musical Society Concert**

May 26, Oriental  
Molasses Creek, Pamlico  
County Civic & Cultural  
Center, (252) 249-3079,  
[www.pamlicomusic.org](http://www.pamlicomusic.org)

### **Memorial Day Celebration**

May 26, Harrells  
(910) 532-4040



### **Fossil Festival**

May 25-27, Aurora  
Handmade crafts, food, music,  
fossil search, mine tours, etc.,  
(252) 322-5227

### **Battleship North Carolina Memorial Day Service**

May 28, Wilmington  
(910) 251-5797,  
[www.battleshipnc.com](http://www.battleshipnc.com)

### **Blackbeard Artifacts Exhibit**

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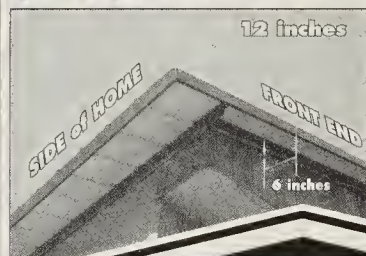
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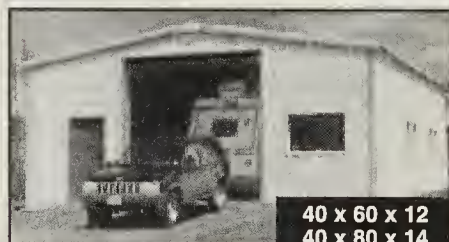
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$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 9 \ 6 \ 8 \ 7 \ 3 \\ \text{O} \ \text{A} \ \text{P} \ \text{T} \ \text{G} \ \text{S} \ \text{I} \ \text{Y} \\ \times \quad \quad \quad 2 \\ \hline \quad \quad \quad \text{P} \end{array}$$

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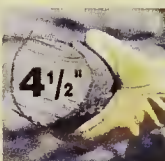
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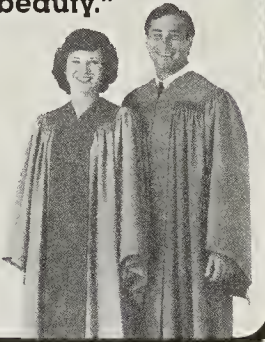


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Like sea-nymph sirens of the "Odyssey," small-flowered French marigolds often are attractive to nematodes. If plants have been damaged, sow seed among them. The troublesome nematode organism usually is lured from their host plant to the roots of the marigolds which can resist nematode damage. Organic gardeners appreciate the non-chemical control. A fumigant also can control nematodes.

## Controlling pesky privet

An established privet hedge usually becomes a problem as it produces many seedlings each season. Although a satisfactory screening plant, the new little plantlets can spread a great distance into flower and vegetable beds and lawns. To control, spray with a translocated herbicide. For total control, it may be necessary to spray more than once.

## Singin' the blues

The color blue is scarce among flowers. Blue and gray-tinted blossoms in the garden have a way of intensifying reds and yellows, thus creating a showy display. Our best sources of blue: petunia, ageratum, salvia, lobelia, larkspur and plumbago. White blooms also intensify the brightness of other flowers. All blue and white plantings near a patio have a way of suggesting coolness on hot summer days and nights.

## Root cuttings to increase shrubs

Favorite summer-flowering shrubs can be propagated by rooting cuttings. Plants such as butterfly bush (*buddleia*), althea, gardenia and crepe myrtle now have tender semi-hardened growth at the outer tips of their stems. Cut on a slant, just below a leaf node. Make 4-inch cuttings. Remove leaves from the lower 2 inches. Dip lower end of cutting in Rootone. Near the house foundation, prepare a rooting bed by digging up the spot and mixing one-half Vermiculite or one-half clean sand with the soil. Plunge the lower 2 inches of cuttings into soil. Check every few days to see if soil needs moisture. It should stay moist, but not waterlogged. Cuttings fare better if covered with clear plastic supported by stakes a few inches above tips of the cuttings. Nearby shrubs in the home foundation planting help to shield cuttings.



*Now's a good time to set bedding plants such as coleus, petunias, marigolds, alyssum, impatiens, salvia and snapdragons. For greater landscape impact, plant many of one kind in a drift rather than mixing colors and varieties.*

## Ask Hank

Q. Should runners be removed from strawberry plants?

A. Strawberry plants naturally produce runners that are not necessarily harmful. When grown by the hill system, all runners should be removed in order to keep plants properly spaced. In the matted-row system, remove only those that exceed the number required to produce a matted row with plants spaced at least 8 inches apart.

Send your gardening questions to Hank by e-mail: [Carolina.country@ncmecs.com](mailto:Carolina.country@ncmecs.com). We'll get you a reply as soon as possible. The "Ask Hank" will be on our Web site, too, at [www.carolinacountry.com](http://www.carolinacountry.com)



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## PEPPERED STRIPED BASS STEAKS



2 pounds striped bass steaks, 1-inch thick  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup dry white wine  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup lemon juice  
 2 tablespoons soy sauce  
 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce  
 1 medium clove garlic, minced  
 Cracked black pepper  
 Store bought Tangy Mustard Sauce

**R**inse steaks thoroughly with cold water; drain and pat dry. Place steaks in a large shallow container. Combine white wine, lemon juice, soy sauce, Worcestershire sauce, and garlic; pour over steaks. Cover and marinate at least 4 hours, turning steaks twice. Remove steaks from marinade; discard marinade. Lightly coat one side of each steak with pepper. Place steaks in wire grilling basket. Grill over medium coals 18 minutes on each side or until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Transfer steaks to a serving platter; garnish, if desired. Serve immediately with tangy mustard sauce. Yield: 4 servings. ( NC Department of Agriculture recipe)

## FAVORITE APPLE SALAD



1 can (20 ounces) unsweetened pineapple chunks  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter or margarine  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sugar  
 1 tablespoon lemon juice  
 2 tablespoons cornstarch  
 2 tablespoons cold water  
 1 cup mayonnaise  
 8 cups chopped tart apples  
 2 cups green grapes  
 2 teaspoons poppy seeds  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup chopped pecans, toasted

**D**rain pineapple, reserving juice; set the pineapple aside. Place juice in a saucepan; add butter, sugar and lemon juice. Bring to a boil. Combine the cornstarch and cold water until smooth; add to the saucepan, stirring constantly. Return to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes. Chill. Stir in mayonnaise. In a large bowl, combine pineapple, apples, grapes, poppy seeds and cooked dressing. Fold in the pecans just before serving. Yield: 14 servings. (Taste of Home recipe)

## GOLDEN AU GRATIN POTATOES

1 can (10-3/4 ounces) condensed cream of chicken soup, undiluted  
 1 cup (8 ounces) sour cream  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup butter or margarine, melted, divided  
 3 tablespoons dried minced onion  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt  
 1 package (32 ounces) frozen Southern-style hash brown potatoes, thawed  
 $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups shredded cheddar cheese  
 $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups crushed cornflakes



**I**n a large bowl, combine soup, sour cream,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup butter, onion and salt. Stir in potatoes and cheese. Transfer to a greased 13 by 9 by 2-inch baking dish. Toss cornflakes and remaining butter; sprinkle over potatoes. Bake, uncovered, at 350 degrees for 50-60 minutes or until heated through. Yield: 8-10 servings. (Taste of Home recipe)

## UPSIDE-DOWN STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

*A slice of strawberry shortcake is always tempting, but this one is even more so with a surprising fruit layer on the bottom.*

**S**prinkle marshmallows evenly into a greased 13 by 9 by 2-inch baking dish; set aside. In a bowl, combine strawberries and gelatin powder; set aside. In a mixing bowl, cream shortening and sugar. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in vanilla. Combine flour, baking powder and salt; add to creamed mixture alternately with milk. Pour batter over the marshmallows. Spoon strawberry mixture evenly over batter. Bake at 350° for 45-50 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool on a wire rack. Cut into squares. Garnish with strawberries and whipped cream. Yield: 12-16 servings.

1 cup miniature marshmallows  
 1 package (16 ounces) frozen sweetened sliced strawberries, thawed  
 1 package (3 ounces) strawberry gelatin  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup shortening  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups sugar  
 3 eggs  
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
 $2\frac{1}{4}$  cups all-purpose flour  
 3 teaspoons baking powder  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt  
 1 cup milk  
 Fresh strawberries and whipped cream



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